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1693.

[*From 7th December 1692 to 31st January 1694.*]

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1692* ——

WEDNESDAY 7.

[. . . .]
and where as [. . .] March^{ts} doe at present [. . .] to the R^{t} Honble [. . .] in a farr greater sum̃e the [. . .] 1530 Pagod^{s} [. . .] orderd that Mr Holcombe [. . .] into the R^{t} Honble Comp^{as} Cash ye s^{d} sum̃e of 15 [. . .] he hath recoverd of said Mr Dubois as atturney to [. . .] Merch^{ts} upon the said bond and that he doe upon [. . .] Arrivall at Vizagapatam discount with the said [. . .] for 800 Pagd^{s} part thereof for ye Goods sold by them [. . .] Dubois but that he doe insist that 730 Pag^{ds} the [remain] ning part is not due to the said Merch^{ts} but the [. . .] Company It being deducted out of ye vallue of ye Comp^{as} [. . .] Goods sold to said Merch^{ts} and 1¼ ℔ C^{t} allow'd upon [. . .] for Investm^{t}. However Mr Holcombe and Councill of Vizagapatam are empowred to compound and agree [. . .] said matter and to discount such further sum̃e as they [. . .] be obliged to allow.

Mr Holcombe to pay in 1530 Ps recov^{d} of Mr Dabois.

Mr Holoombe to dip^{t} wth ye Merch^{ts} 800 Pagd^{s}.

Whereas the Estate of Mr Danl: Dubois was by late Presid^{t}: attached in ye hands of Mr John Stileman and Simon Holcombe Trustees to the Estate of Mr Thom^{s} Gray.

It is orderd that the said Trustees doe pay unto Mr Simon Holcombe (out of Mr Dubois his Estate in the Hands) the sum̃e of 1530. Pag^{ds} due from D^{l}: Dubois the Vizagapatam merch^{ts} on Bond and that the said att[. . .] doe stand good onely for the remayning part of Mr Dubois Estate in their hands.

Mr Symon Holcombe in obedience [to] the above s^{d} order paid into the R^{t} Honble Comp^{as} Cash 1530.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

[. . .]

Yesterday the ffren [. . .] advises of Lett^{r} comes to Pullicherry from [. . .] sur [. . .] forming that 4 ffrench ships arrived there the 19th of Octob^{r}: 7TH
[. . .] their names as foll: Vizt.

The ffendente 66 [. . .] The ff [. . .]
Les Jonse 40 Le Laurey.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1692* ——

[8TH] ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCCY SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENLL :
THE HONBLE NATHANL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR : WM : FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

[THU]RSDAY 8TH

[. . .] Mr. Wheeler assts in ye admiralty Cot.

Order'd that Mr Wm ffraser and Mr James [Wheeler] be at present appointed assistants to John [Dolben] Judg Advocate in ye Court of Admiralty and the [. . .] doe accordingly attend the same.

There being in the Garryson a parcell [of old broken] armes wch take up a great deal of [room in the armory]

Orderd that Capt Seaton Capt Saintelore [the Gunner] and Gentlemen of the armes doe survey them [and] give report thereof to us and that the Secy give [them] notice thereof.

[Capt.] Seaton &ca to survey ye old arm's.

Order'd that if any Person shall desire [to] become a freeman before the expiration of the tyme agreed to serve the Rt Honble Compa in these parts, and [the Commissary] Genll or Presidt and Councill shall think fitt [condes] cend thereunto. The Paymaster for the future shall receive from them fifty-six Pagods and bring ye same to ye Rt Honble Compas Creditt.

[SAML : WILSON]

J. GOLDSBOROU[GH].
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
[JAMES WHEELER].

THURSDAY 8TH

A packet sent to ye [new Fort].

This day a Packet was sent to Mr Wm: Hatsell Esqr: with a Lettr to himself and enclosed a Lettr from ye Comry Genll to ye Honble Lawrence Pitt Govr: of Negapatam &ca Councill Together with a Coppy of the Rt Honble East India Compas Lettr : dated the 29th of ffebrury 169½. To the [Bewinthebbers] of the Dutch East India Compa : with two printed blank passes for ships.

SATERDAY 10.

A Chubdar from ye Camp to fetch Pedda Chittee.

This day came to Towne a Chubdar from the Camp accompanying [*lacuna in the original*] who had upon Complaint of Injury [recd] from Johemurs an Inhabitant of this place, obtained the Prime Viziers and Nabobs ordr: for doeing him Justice, and a [ll] their severall orders for sending up to ye Nabob one Pedda Chittee Inhabitant here to make good some former acctt and debts to the Duan. Yesterday [. . .] from Vizagapatam and ye prõ senra de Monte Martin Lope [. . .] Master.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCCY SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENLL :
THE HONBLE NATHNLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WM FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

MONDAY 12TH

Pagds 2000 [. . .] Presidt.

Order'd that two thousand Pagods be paid to Presidt Higginson being for so much pay'd into the Rt Honble Compas Cash at ffort St David by Mr: Wm: Hatsell as by their Generall dated ye [*lacuna in original*] of [*lacuna in original*] and their bill of Exchange dated the 5th of December 1692.

The [Worpll :] Judge Dolben acqts that an action of acctt [being entered against] Mr Wm : Cawley for 14000 Pagds [received] by him out of ye Honble Compas Cash he caus'd him be arested, but discharged him upon Bayle Vizt Mr Sam Glover and Mr Danl : Gifford.

SAM : WILSON Secry.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1692*— [13TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY 13.

Present

HIS EXCCY SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT COMRY GENLL
THE HONBLE NATHANLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
WILLIAM FFRASER JAMES WHEELER.

His Exccy: Read his Lettr to the Rt Honble Company dated this day to be sent overland *via* Surrat and the Lyst of the Packet followes next after this Consultacon, also his Lettr to ye Presidt and Councill of Surrat and to the Agent and Councill of Bengall of this date, whereunto there is no occasion to add any further advices. His Excy Lettr to y Compa read.

The Genll Lettr to Vizagapatam dated ye 11th Instt read and approved.

For 2 or 3 dayes past the Inhabitants of Conjeveram, Polemele and other adjacent Places [come]ing very farr into Towne for security against An army of the Morattos who have made an Incursion into these Parts. Inhabitts of Conjeveram coming farr into Town.

It is ordered that the number of Peons be made up Two hundred and fifty for the increase of the out watches and to continue soe till farther order and that their pay [which] was advanced in the tyme of ye ffamine, be reduc'd so as not to exceed twenty fanams to a Peon :— Orderd: yt Peons be made [up] 250 their pay [not to] exceed 20 ffams:

The Rt Honble Compa having in their Generall Letter by the Samuel dated ye [22nd January 1691-2 very positively] ordered the [imposition] of five ℘ [cent custome on grain.] [Imposition] of 5℘ Ct on Grain [be] put in Execution as soon as possible.

It is resolved that the order: [be] put in Execution so soon as it is possible to make a Judgment of ye Sucesse of ye Phirmaund concerning which it is understood, that the free & plentifull supply of Grain [in] the Mogulls Camp as received from [this] Place ever since it has layn before Chingee, has been [the] great argument improov'd by our friends in our [favour] with the Prince Vizier, and the Mogull and that the Imposition of Custome on Graine at this tyme will cause Complaints by our Enemyes against us and hazard the loss of obtaining it after so great an Expence.

Mr: Troughton the Present Rentor Generall is orderd to bring in the Rent Roll of the Christian, and Black Town and the acctt of his Receipts and Charges on Thursday next at two of the Clock in the afternoone. Mr Troughton to bring in ye Rent Roll.

John Dolben Esqr Judge Advocate acquaints That the Provost Marshall had deliverd him a Calendar of the Prisnrs in his Custody amongst wch: were two Persons Vizt: Richard Markham and Edward Bixter found guilty of being Pyrats at the Court Marshall the [seventeenth] day of Novembr: anno Dom̃ 1690. Elihu Yale Presidt: with twelve others, and condemn'd by Lott, under which sentence they had ever since layne in Prison. That on Thursday the twenty eight [h] he sent for them up to the Barr of the Court, where he demanded what they had to say why execution should not be awarded against them. Upon which they prayd the mercy of the Court, upon the Condition of being branded in the forehead, which Prayer he caus'd to be entered on Record and remanded them to Prison. Markham & Bixter pray to be branded.

Orderd that the Worspll John Dolben doe the next Court day cause the said Richard Markham & Edward Bixter to be publickly branded on ye forehead in the open Court, and that he doe declare to them that his Excellency the Commissary Genll. The President &ca & Councill have granted their prayer, and orderd [to what [*sic*] they be thereupon discharged]. [Markham and Bixter to be branded and discharged.]

SAM: WILSON Secry.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES: WHEELER.

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TUESDAY 13TH. [contents] of a Packet to Surrat.

This day sent a Packet to Surratt Directed to the Honble Bartholomew Harris President &ca Councill qt as foll.

No. 1. Generall Lettr.

2. Copy of ye Compas Genll to Surratt.

3. Copy of [. . .] Lettr to Bombay 29th ffebry : 1691.

4. Instructions for Capt Wilday & Capt Brangwyn.

5. Copy of a Genl sent by ye Comry : Genll : by ye Modena from Cape Good Hope 28th July 92.

6. Copy of an Invoyce of ye Oranges Goods sav'd & Laden for Surratt on ye Modena.

7. Copy of a Dyary kept by Sr John Goldsborough from England to Madrass.

8. A Lettr of Attourney from Mr : Wm : ffraser.

9. True Copy of Mr : ffrasers Administration on Mr Grays Estate.

A Lettr to ye Honble Bartholomew Harris Presidt.

A Lettr to Mr Saml Annesley Second at Surrat.

Under covert of ye Surratt Packet sent to ye [...] Compa.

Under Covert of the above said Packet was sent another directed to the Honble : The Governr Deputy and Committee of the Right Honble English East India Company In London to be forwarded by ye speedyst Conveyance either overland or otherwise as foll : vizt :—

No. 1. The Comissary Genlls : Dyary from England [to Madras, Surrat]

2. A Genll to ye Compa from ye : Comry : Genll : from ffort St George Dated [...] November 1692.

3. Copy of a Lettr [. . .] to be sent to ye Rt Honble Compa in England ℘ first Conveyance.

WEDNESDAY 14TH.

4. ffort St George Genll to ye Rt Honble Compa by ship Dorothy Dated 11th Octobr 1692.

Lettr to the Honble Sr Josias Child.

[. . .]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXOCY : SR : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENLL

THE HONBLE NATHANL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT

JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE

MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ye Paymr to pay Yeram Rasoo a pagoda a mo.

Yeram Razoo having for four or five Months attended here upon the Prosecution of his Informations against Vincate, the Chief Dubash, and the Minters &ca of ffort St. David which have not hitherto been brought to a determination, and he haveing this day presented his Petition for an allowance of maintainance, or leave to [seek] his Leivelyhood otherwise. It is ordered that the Paymaster doe pay him a Pagoda a month. from the tyme he first Commenc'd his Information, and to continue till farther order.

In persuance of an Order of Consultation the 11th of August Last. It is order'd that the Merchants receive their Tashreifs as accustomary for Contracts on New Yrs day.

Mr Alvarez to delvr in his answr to ye Compas demds.

In persuance of an Ordr : of Consultation ye 27th : of Septbr Last Order'd that Mr : Alvarez be required to deliver in his Promised Answer to ye Right Honourable Companys Demands.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
SAML WILSON Secry. NAT : HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1692*—— [14TH]

This day sent a Packet to Bengall Directed to ye R^t Worship^ll Job Charnock Esqr q^t: Viz^t: WEDNESDAY 14TH.

Lyst of a Packet to Vizaga.

No. 1. Charterparty of the Charles the Second.
2. Part of an Invoyce for Stores, Lead and Anchors Delivered in Bengall.

This Packet was sent und^r Covert of a Direction to Henry Stanley Esqr Cheif at Ballasore and that sent in ye Vizagapatam Packet (to be forwarded) Directed to Mr Charles Barwell, Second &c^a Councill at Vizagapatam q^t Viz^t:—
A Generall Dated the 11th Instant.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^CY: S^R JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL
THE HON^BLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R: W^M: FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

THURSDAY 15TH.

The mud points & walls as they [now are] of no defence [Mr. Wright to report their cost on Monday next.] [Mr. Fraser to draw out the clauses of the Compas letter relating thereto.]

Having this fforenoone viewed the Mudd Points & Walls about the Black Towne made by the late Presid^t Yale, they appeare to be so worne Ruind, and wasted away by the Raines, as that they are all together [uselesse] and of no defence as they now are. It is orderd that M^r: Wright the Provisionall Paymaster, doe examine the Books and acc^tts of the Yeares they were built in, and Report the amount of their Cost on Monday the 19th Instant and that M^r: W^m: ffraser is orderd to draw out the Generall Clauses of the R^t: Honble: Companys Letters relating thereto & ye Councills Exceptions made against Sundry [. . .] Consultations past] about them, and Report the same to us with all conven^t: speed.

SAM^L: WILSON SEC^ry.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^CY S^R JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R: W^M: FFRASER M^R: JAMES WHEELER

FFRYDAY 16TH

M^r [Pitt] to bring in a Rent Rowle of last yeares quitt Rent.

Mr Pitt being called to give in a Rent Rowl of the last yeares Quitt Rent, Received by him for the Honble: Comp^a: Ending in Septemb^r last in the English and Black Towne of Madrass he said he had none but by the old years books before, and the scrowle of alterations he had given Mr Trough [ton] he would in few dayes give us one in writing, wch he is forth wth orderd to enter upon and bring in to us accordingly.

The Presd paid in 800 Pagds.

The President payd into the Right Honble: Comp^as: Cash Eight hundred Pagodoes, on acc^tt of sea Custome.

Pagds 800 to be paid to Mr Wright.

Order'd that Eight hundred Pagodoes be pay'd to M^r: Wright Paymaster.

SAM^L: WILSON SEC^ry

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

[16TH]

——FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1692——

4 ffrench Ships at Surrat.

Received this day a Lett^{r} from Surrat dated the 17th Octob^{r} : Past form the Honble Bartholomew Harris Presid^{t} advising of the arrivall of four ffrench Ships there & that they had taken Captain Harding, we suppose [Bringing].

Y^{e} ship 4 Broth^{s} from Vizagapatam. [. . .]

Same day came into this Port the ship Four Broth[ers] about seaventy Tons William Holmes Master from Vizagapatam. Her cheif Loading Shuger, Shug^{r} Candy some [allome . .]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^{CY} S^{R} JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T} : COM$_{RY}$: GEN^{LL}
THE HON^{BLE} NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER & MR JAMES WHEELER.

SATERDAY 17TH

[Allemaun] de Cauns officers to be treated kindly.]

There being upon the Defeat Allemaun de Cawn, lately Received from the Morattas Severall of his officers and other Persons of good quallity privately fled hither for security It is thought convenient that they be used very kindely, whyle they lye in disguise & treated with small Presents of necessaryes as the President shall finde necessary & requisite. Some of them being Persons that may proove usefull to the Right Honourable Companys affairs not onely to the Vizier but to the Mogull himself.

Mr ffrasr delivrs in a copy of Consultation.

Mr Fraser in Persuance of an order of Consultation Thursday 15th Instant, deliv^{rs} in a Copy of Y^{e} Consultations Relating to the building of the Mudd Walls and Poynts wth the Exceptions made thereunto.

Mr Wigmore to copy Consul^{n} relatg to [sea &] Land Custo:

Orderd that Mr Wigmore doe forthwth Copy out all the Consultations from ye 13th : of June 1687 Relateing to y^{e} [Sea and] Land Customes.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
SAM^{L} : WILSON SEC^{RY} NAT : HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^{CY} : S^{R} JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T} : COM^{RY} : GEN^{LL}
THE HON^{BLE} NATHAN^{LL} : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER M$_{R}$ WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

MONDAY 19TH

Mr Thompson refuses to assist in the Secry office.

Mr William Thompson one of the Factors newly come being recomended to some of us by the Honble : the Govr Sr Joseph Sterne and some others members of the Comittee for Preferment according to his Desert. Out of a due regard thereto we did order him to assist the Sec^{ry} in ord^{r} to acq^{t} : and fitt himself for that eminent Trust, that he might succeed Sec^{ry} when Mr Wilson goes hence for Bencoolen whither he is shortly intended. But M^{r} : Thompson returnes answer he will not be under Mr Wilson, and that it is Writers buisnesse to be so imploy'd and persists in such refusall (notwithstanding advice given him to the contrary) and requires to be discharged from the R^{t} Honble Comp^{as} service wch being an Example of ill Consequence requires our farther Consideration.

Warehousekeepr to lade on board ye Berkely Castle 39 Ton's of Red wood for proportion

The Comand^{r} of the Berkeley Castle having declared he is ready to take in Kentlage. The Warehousekeep^{r} is orderd to Cause to be Laden on Board said ship thirty nine Tons of Redwood for her Proportion of it appointed to be carryed on her as part of her Lading for England and also to be Laden on Charles the

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Second in Bengall forty seven Tons and also more thirty fouer Tons for ye Sampson.

Orderd that Richard Markham and Edward Bexter may be entertaind as soldiers to serve the Honble : Compa : at ffort St George or where elce there may be occasion for them, and the Paymaster is to entertaine them accordingly; takeing each of their Obligations to serve two years and that Atkins, being recomended to be an Ingenious and sober man skillfull in Gunnery &ca. Be entertain'd as a Gunners Cheif Mate at the usuall pay. He giving obligation to serve five years.

Mr: Markham [&] Bexter entertaind as soldrs.

MONDAY 19TH

Mr William Hatsell arriveing here on the 17th : Instant was this day called to Consultation and acquainted that the Right Honble Company doe by their Generall Letters confirme his present station at ffort St David and by the Comission dated the four [th] of Janry 1691, Appoynt him of Councill here and accordingly took his Place in Councill next to Mr William ffraser.

Mr Hat sell arrivd this day & took place in Councill.

There having been a Myrther Comitted by a Dutchman and other with him on a Comittee in the Suburbs last night. It is referred to the Judg to examine the Criminalls and cause them to be prosecuted and allso there having been several gross misdemeanours Comitted lately by soldiers on the Black Town. It is orderd that on Wednesday morning next, the Criminalls receive their Punishment before the two Companys for warning to others. The Orders of the Garryson being first Read.

The examination of ye murther referd to Judge Dolben.

[. . .] [Misdemeanours] Comitted by ye soldrs on ye Black Town to be punished on Wednesday next.

SAML: WILSON Secry.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT. HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 20TH

HIS EXCCY : SR : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY : GENLL
THE HONBLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR : WM : FFRASER MR : WM : HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Orderd that Mr ffraser doe Inspect into the Consultations that relate to President Yales building of the Stables that [now] are and take out the severall Paragraphs thereof and it is [also] orderd that Mr Wright the Provisionall Paymaster, doe examine the books and draw out the charge thereof, and give it in writeing in three dayes.

Mr ffraser orderd to inspect ye Consultations concerg ye late Presidt. buildg ye stables.

TUESDAY 20TH

John Dolben Esqr Judg Advocate acqts that [In] formation hath been given in before him against Mrs [Ka] tharine Nicks of severall notorious frauds by her comitted at Cunnemeere with the assistance of Ancho, whilst her husband was Cheif there. Perticularly that dureing the late Investment she caused the Rt : Honble : Compas : Godownes to be broke open and forcibly took from thence great quantitys of Cloth of the first sort, which she applied to Mr Elihu Yales Private use who was then President. Notwithstanding the Merchants declared that the said Cloth was brought in upon ye Companys acctt : and positively refused to consent that it should be otherwise applyd.

Judg Dolbens acctt concering Mrs Nicks

That upon this he wrote her a Letter requiring her being a woman notoriously knowne to be a seperate Mercht from her husband to put in Bayle to answer the damages the Honble : Company had sustaind by her illegall Proceedings wch : she not complying with, he issued out a warrant to arrest her. But she refuseing to obey was return'd in Contempt, he therefore prays the assistance of the Millitary

That he required her to put in bayle which she refusd [upon which] he prays assistance [to] secure her.

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Power to secure her in her house being under suspition that she design's privately to fly from Justice.

[Orderd] yt a file of Musquetrs [be] sent [to] her house.

Order'd that the Captain of the Guard doe send a file of Musketeers with a Corporall to the house of Mrs ; Katherine Nicks, who are to obey such orders as the Judg Advocate shall think : fitt to give.

SAML : WILSON Secry.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 21ST

HIS EXCCY SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENLL :
THE HONBLE : NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL.
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordrd yt ye monthly acctts for Octobr & 9br be finished by ye persons concernd.

Orderd that the Monthly accounts for Octobr : & Novembr : be finished by the Persons concern'd and read on Saterday twenty fourth and that Mr : Troughton the Renter [. . .] doe then pay in what money he has collected for yt acctt : and for the future to pay in the Quitt Rent money as he receives it, On the first Consultation day after the end of every Month.

The Pay master to take Symon PhitzPatricke bond for 56 Pagds fo his wife [s] dismission.

Orderd that ye Paymastr take Symon Phi[tz] Patricke bond with security to pay to him for ye : Honble : Compas : acctt fifty six Pagodoes being for his wifes dismission from service, in which she came under disguise on ye Berkely Castle.

The warehouse keep &ca to examine ye Conimere and blue cloth.

Orderd that on Wednesday ye 28th: Instt : the Warehousekeepr : and Mr : Tredcroft doe examine the Conimere and Portonovo blue Cloth by the Musters Recd : from ffort St. David and that M[essrs] William Hatsell and Mr : Symon Hollcombe doe with them examine the whole, and [. . .] together make their report how much ℘ Cent it is worse than Muster, ffirst divideing it into so many severall sorts as they shall finde occasion, And that they give due notice to Mr: Nicks and Mr : Gyfford to be present when they sort.

Comcō : to Leiutents &ca be calld & nue to be given.

Orderd that the Cōmissions for the Leiutenants and Ensignes of the two Companys in this Garryson formerly given by President Yale &ca Councill, be called in and that nue Cōmissions from the Cōmissary Genll : Sr : John Goldsborough be given to the Persons therein mentioned signed this day, and the Secretary is [to] acquaint Capt : Seaton to call the Cōmission off[icers] together and to consider of each of the former [rules] and articles for the Government of the Garryson and Report to us what shall appeare necessary to be enter'd or added thereto.

WEDNESDAY 21

The Warehousekeepr : is orderd to affix a noat on the Sea gate to give notice to all Persons desireous to Lade ffreight on the Berkeley Castle for Bengall and England.

SAML WILSON Secry

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

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[23RD]

ATT A CONSULTATION

FFRYDAY 23RD.

Present

HIS EXCCY : SR : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENLL :
THE HONBLE : NATH : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR : WM : FFRASER MR : WM : HATSELL. MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Presidt acquainting us that this morning Cajee Gregory came to him and told him he had recd : a Letter from Polliacutte from ye Brother in Law of Alle merde cawn (ye Nabob lately taken by ye Morattos & imprisond in Chingee) to signify yt ye Morattos having offerd Alle merde Cawn his Liberty for a Lac of Pags [sic] he does in ye Nabobs name desire that the Govr : of Madrass would receive Jewells and money to that amount into his Custody & then write to Ramraz engageing to pay that sume to his order upon the arrivall of Alle merde Cawn in Madrass for wch : purpose a Letter is written to the Presidt : but it being a matter of great moment. The Presidt : has onely put off the receiving of the Lettr and the returning of any answer till resolved in Consultation how to [act] and it is resolved not to concern ourselves in that affay [re]. [A] Letter from Allemerde Cawn. [Desires] ye Govr. to pay lac of rupees & to [take jewels] for security.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

FFRYDAY 23RD.

SAML WILSON Secy

This day was sent a Genll : to Mr Charles Barw[ell] Vizagapatam, undr Covert whereof went Lettrs : to be [. . .] to Agent Charnock. 23RD. Genll to Vizagapatam

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This day we dispatcht a Genll : for ffort St : David. a Genll to ffort St. David

This day the Dutch Govr : came hither, Vizt : [Adiare] de Vister of Policat to complemt : his Exccy : at his arr[ivall] and Brought with him a Lettr : from the Honble : [Lawrence Pitt Esq] Govr : of Negapatam. ye Govr of Policat comes hither.

This day arrivd the Dyamond James Howell Master Burthen one hundred Ton's from Acheen and Bencoolen [. . .] Laden with 268 Candy of Pepper & 14 Bale of Goods. The Dyamond from Bencoolen.

Together with a Genll : from Bencoolen dated the 12th : Septbr : last wherein they earnestly mention the [. . .] ending supply wch may secure Manjutta, the Dutch being a trouble all about. That they have drawn a bill payable to Capt : Howell for Rls-8/8 6498. That said Capt : Spard ye Che[if] att Indrapoora two barrls : of Powdr : whereof they have payd one and hope we will the other. That they were not [. . .] Peace should want Gunpowdr : being for[c]d to supply Troyamong & that they have not above 8 Barrels. They hope the ship Satisfaction will be with us as soone as the Dyamond ₽ whome they'l send Accounts. With a Genll A bill drawn for 6498 Rls 8/8. & yt we pay Capt. Howell a barrel of Powdr. Ship satisfaction they'l send acctts.

Captain Howell Master of the Dyamond reports that he heard at Acheen, there were ten Dutch Ship lay at Pullydingdan, the mouth of the straits of Mallacca to wayte ye motion of the ffrench ships. It being reported that 15 : had been seen off Japora but little Credit is given to the news. 15 french ships off Japora

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^{CY} : S^{R} : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T} : COM^{RY} : GEN^{LL}
THE HON^{BLE} : NATHAN^{LL} : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Pagods 750 to be p^{d} M^{r} : Hatsell.

M^{r} : W^{m} : Hatsell presenting a Bill drawne by himself & Councill at ffort S^{t}. David for Pagod^{s} 750 : p^{d} there, into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{as} Cash, and made payble to himself : the same is orderd to be pay'd according to advice by their Gen^{ll} Lett^{r}.

2000 Pagod sent to ffort St. David.

The Presid^{t} : doth this day send to ffort St. David by for[ty] Peons in Company with Doctor Blackwall Pagod^{s} two thousand ordered on y^{e} : 7th Instant, soon after wch tyme they found opertu[nity] at ffort S^{t}. David for drawing Bills for their present supply, the ways were by report hazardous to send money without an Englishman in Company.

The Presid^{t} p^{d} in Pagd^{s} 141.

The Presid^{t} : p^{d} : into the R^{t} : Honble : Company's Cash one hundred forty one Pagodas on acc^{tt} : of Custome of Coynage.

Mr. Alvarez answer concerg ye 10 days demurrage.

Mr Alvarez delivers his answer to the demand made for ten days dem[u]rrage of Ship Princess Ann of Daenmark with a Copy of their answer to Captain Haddocks Protest in China & the Judg is desyred to peruse the same with the Contract & to make a Report of his opinion therein.

Timapa and Arringapa nagues, both pretending to the right of succession in the Peddo Nague's Employment in this [place] have ever since the death of Aringa[pa], father [of] the late Peddonague quarrelld about the dividing the Estate of the Pedda Nague, and the yearly Revenues of this Place, and severall Town's adjacent under their care, and by that meanes both their usuall incomes by sea and Land Custome for some tyme past was by the order of President Yale, deposited in ye hands of the sea side and Choultrey Canocoples. It is orderd that the said Canocoples doe deliver in an acc^{tt} : of the moneys they have Received and pay^{d} out for that amount.

Ordrd ye canocaples delivr^{s} in ye acc^{tt} of ye Pedda Nague.

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The Pedda Nagne sells the Paddy.

The Presid^{t}: acquaints that the said Pedda Naigue having a considerable parcell of Paddy lying in ye open ffeilds, which they could not agree how to divide between them he perswaded them to sell the same lately when there was greatest occasion for ye supply of the poore people of the place, and caused the produce thereof to be Lodged in the Choultrey. The acc^{tt} : whereof follows next after this Consultation amount to Pagodas thirty nine and fanams 10600.

Mr. Nicks prays Mr. Coventry may be an [attourney].

Mr Nicks delivering a Paper requesting M^{r} : Coventry to be his attourney. The said Paper is orderd to be enter'd after this Consultation and therewith a Copy of the Record in ye Court Book by ye Late Judg S^{r} : John Bigs, w^{ch} : expells him from the Court and Judg Dolben declares that since it was knowne he now endeavoured to be admitted an attourney again ; many People of this Towne expressed their aversion to it, and made their applications to him not to grant it, and notice hereof is to be given to M^{r} : Nicks for an answer by ye Secret^{ry}.

(refus'd)

Proby dismis't ye Comp^{as} service.

M^{r} : William Proby was sent for, and the Commissary acquainted him that he had an order to dismiss him from the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{as} : service and ordered him to deliver Mr James Wheeler, Sea Customer, all the books, accounts and Papers that were in his hands by a List thereof.

M^{r}. Wheeler Sea Customr Mr Empson Searcher Mr Snell Receiver. Mr Lester undr Searcher.

Ordered that M^{r} : James Wheeler be Sea Customer, M^{r}: Matthew Empson Searcher, M^{r} : George Snell Receiver, and M^{r} : Joseph Lester under searcher.

Mr Troughton p^{d} in 200 pagd^{s}.

M^{r} : Zouch Troughton paid into the R^{t} : Honble : Companys Cash Pagodos two Hundred on acc^{tt} : of the Quitt Rents.

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Orderd that Pagodos One thousand and forty seven and 24 fans : 3 Cash be payd to Mr : Wright Provisionall Paymaster for defraying the Charges of the Garryson.

Pagds 1047 fa ca 24 : 3 pd. Mr. Wright.

The Presidt : Read accounts of the Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash & accts : of the Mint and Sea Customes for the months of October and November last, wch : were Read and past, Errours Excepted.

The Presidt read ye acct of Cash :

Mr : Wright Provisionall Paymaster produceing his accts ; for the month of Octobr : last, upon peruseall thereof it is Order'd that he deduct from Charges Genll : Pagods four charged as paid to an assistant to ye Gentleman of ye arm's, and from Charges Genll : Pagods two charged as paid to a Moor Linguist employed at ye sea gate without the Presidt : and Councils knowledge, which Pagodas are not allowed and that he allso deduct twenty-one Pagodas thirteen fanams for 5 Corg : Manilla Leather brought for ye : Stores of ye : Garryson, which the Store keeprs ought to bring in to his account.

Mr. Wrights acots for Octobr to be rectifyd.

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Mr : William Fowles being accus'd of rude behaviour in Company of two young men newly come out of England. Being sent [for] did demeane himself before us very unbecommingly, both in words and gesture and peremptorily desir'd to be freed from the Rt : Honble : Compas : service, which is granted him, and he is hereby discharged. And the Secry : is orderd to give him a Copy hereof.

Mr Ffowlee diecharged ye Compae service.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
SAML WILSON Secry : JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

This day a small Armenian Vessell nam'd the Buen Ventura, Sajature Master, ariv'd hither from Hughly in twenty days, with Bengall Goods. 27.

A small Vessel from Hughly.

ffort St : George Decembr 26th : 1692.

TO HIS EXCCY : THE COMISSARY
THE HONBLE THE PRESIDTS : &
WORPLL : JUDG ADVOCATE

I having some actions enterd against me in the Court of Admiralty suddainly to be try'd, and being very unskilfull in ye Lawes of England, and here being no Councill learned therein to direct and assist me in matters of Law, nor any able Attourny's but what are [re]tain'd. I humbly request that Mr : John Coventry may be admitted an Attourney to plead for and assist me therein he having some knowledge in the practice of that Court, as allso in the Country Language and Customes—otherwise my cause may suffer for want of assistance, which I beg you will not deny me, it being a matter of so great concern to my reputation and poore family.

Mr Nicks prays yt Mr : Conventry be his attorny.

Yor : Excy : &ca :
Most humble : Servant
Fort St George & JOHN NICKS.
City of Madras.

Entrd in Court of Admiralty June 19th : 1688

This day Mr : John Coventry is discharged for severall misdemeanours from any farther attendance of this Court as an Attourney. Vera Copia, Edward Tredcrof[t] Registr.

Mr Coventry diechargd attendance on Court.

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An acctt : of Paddy sold belonging to Tallara Angarapa Naigue the money in ye hands of Moodow ye Choultrey Cashkeepr : ffor Paddy sold by him being a garse

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mercle meas pag^{ds} fan^{s}
318, 1½, 24, 6411. [*sic*] Wittness Angarapa Naigue. Concoply Coongamarrow Concoply Changapilla—

ff[or] ye Paddy of Timapa Naigues sold by him
garse 6 : 227 : 1¾ (mercles mea^{sr}) ... . Pagod^{s} } 15 : 4189 [*sic*] (fans.)

Wittness Timapa Naigue Concoply Erauga Moodelare.
Ninapa. Rma Lingum. Areapa.

28 This day sent a Gen^{ll}; to ffort St David, that they send Musters of the Cunnemeere Blue Cloth.

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AT[T] A CONSULTATION

Present

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JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDG ADVOCATE.
M^{R} W^{M} : FRASER M^{R} W^{M} : HATSELL MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Fraser to extract out of ye Rt Honble Compas Letts what relates to ye Black Town.

Orderd that M^{r} : William Fraser be desyrd to Inspect all the R^{t} : Honble : Companys Letters to this place and extract the severall Paragraphs that relate to the walling the Black Towne and deliver the same in so soone as possible he can.

Doctor Bulkeley to take charge of the Hospitall.

Ordered that Doctor Bulkeley Chyrurgion (lately come from England) doe enter upon his charge of the Hospitall and take care of the Patients therein, and look after all the medicines and other things carefully, that none be spoyled or wasted negligently, or used for any other end or purpose but those they were intended for and that he keep an acc^{tt} : of all materiall actions, in a Book that may remayne in the Hospitall, to be examined when needfull or required. And Doctor Browne is to be continu'd a Chirurgion here as before And in regard of the supply of Chirurgions from England, there is not roome for the continuance of Doctor Hart he is to be discharged from that Imployment and the Sec^{ry} : to acquaint him therewith.

Dr Browne to continue as he was. Dr Hart discharged.

That ye ordrs of Garryson be amended.

The Commission Officers of the Garryson giving in their opinions about altering the Orders, to be observed in ye Garryson orderd that the said Orders be new written and alter'd accordingly.

An addition to be made to ye Custome house buildings.

Orderd that an addition be made to the Custome house building on each side of the Sea Gate within. To range in length so farr as can conveniently be without stopping the lights of the Godownes to be built with strong Pillars of Brick, about twelve foot high and twelve foot broad and at one end to be built up with walls. The same being necessary as well for keeping some sorts of Goods, as for Weighing.

Mr Wheeler to State ye Conemeere Mcts acctts.

The Conimeer merchants being indebted to the Right Honble Company upon the last Contract. Mr Wheeler is orderd to date their acc^{tts} : so soone as the Conimeere book can be finished, and in the meane tyme to take from themselves the state of that account as they make it. The Merchants having often acquainted the President that Rangia Chittee being one of their four principall Merchants, and hath eight shares in the name of his son, is indebted to the Joint Stock five hundred Pagodoes besides Twelve hundred due to them for the Profit of Beteelas which is the reason that they have not finished the acc^{tt} : as the said Merchants being sent for declare, and further that they have been kept Prisoners in this place severall months and are still under the security of the Talliars, on acc^{tt} : of the Ballance of the Contract which they are willing to pay upon demand onely desire that Rangia Chittee may pay his part and Rangia Chettee alleadging to us that he owes them onley Pag^{ds} three hundred forty five. The Conimeere Merchants were ordered to receive of Rangia Chittee what he was willing to pay them on that account, and to pay us the Ballance of their account to the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{as} : use, as they themselves make it. Referring the stateing thereof, & their Releasm^{t} : from the Taliers to the conclusion of the Conemeere books which they agree to and

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if they have any farther demand on Rangia Chitte, they are to seek their Remedy in the Court.

153 bare: to be delved ye Smith. that as many be fitted as can [. . .] 200 barrls to be sent to Fort St. David.

The Officers having made a survey and Report of the Condition of the Armes in the Garryson, there is Seaven hundred fifty nine Barrells without Stocks and Locks, which may be made serviceable and one hundred fifty three barrls: broke and unfitt for service. It is orderd that the said 153 Barrels be writ off in the Generall books, and deliverd to ye Smith and that the Gentleman of the Armes doe cause as many of the 759 to be stockt, and lockt as they can. And that two hundred barrels be sent to Fort St David for the use of that Garrison.

[. . .] Farming Beetle Leaves.

Some few Chitties having used for severall years to buy up all the Beetle Leaves, which comes out of the [Countrey] and retayl the same in Shops and Buzarrs, the Land Custom: whereof haveing been but 2 or 3 Pags ℔ mens: hath amounted to a very inconsiderable summe in a yeare, and five of ye Inhabitants haveing offer'd to pay the Rt: Honble: Company five hundred Pagods ℔ annum by monthly Payments for a Liberty of doeing the same, which has been practi[s]ed by the said Chittees, Vizt: to buy all the Beetle Leaves which come to the markett, and Retayle the same at the same Price to be stated by us for each month in the year as has been formerly sold in the Bazar under this provision [that] if any Complaints shall be made by the Inhabitants of [their] exaction or abuseing them in the Prices &ca. The Justices of the Choultry shall cause them to make the Complain[an]ts due satisfaction, and farther impose such ffine upon them, as the nature of the offence shall require. It is agreed and other'd yt a Lycence be given to the said Chettees Vizt Gautala Yalapa,—Porroo Narsoo-Balabadroo [Gande quia] Yencanna Zogee. But that the finishing the Contract be left to the President to be donne with all convenient speed.

A Lycence to be given for Beetle Leaves.

There having been formerly payd Pagods one and a quarter ℔ mensem for a Shroffe at the Sea Syde Pagods one for the Paymaster and ffannams Eighteen for the Godown; In all Pagods two and three Quarters ℔ mensem. It is orderd that Muttamar Shroffe be allowed Pagods two ℔ mensem for Shroffage of all the money payd and Recd: for account of the Right Honourable Company by the Presidt: Godownkeepr Sea Customer and Paymaster and that he be answerable for all the bad mony which he or any other Shroffe employ'd by him receives. There being many Counterfeit Pagods brought privately into Town, which are Coyned at Metchlepatam and other places, from three to nine fannams less in Vallue than a Madrass Pagodo, and the said Shroffe is ordered to bring all such Counterfeit Pagods as are offer'd to him in Payment, to the President who shall cause the same to be cut in two and deliver'd to the Owners.

Muttamar Shroffe allowed 2 Pagds ℔ mo. Answrble for all bad mony Recd. Counter feit Pagods [cut in] 2.

Severall English having undertaken the makeing of Bricks, for supply of the Company and Garryson for four Years past, and notwithstanding all assistance, and countenance they have Received from the President &ca there [in] yet experience prooves that every year they grow dearer and dearer. So that they have risen in Price from three thousand to twelve hundred ℔ Pagodas, and at this tyme there is none to be had, nor will any English undertake it (wood which is a principall part of the charge) being growne three tymes dearer, than it was five years since, and they haveing found by Experience that the Brickmakers doe unite against an English undertaker and render the Cooley and Ox hire dearer to them. Therefore the Provisionall Paymaster, is ordered to make a Contract with all the Chief Brickmakers for as many Bricks as they can make at the best rate he can buy them and Report the same to us, and if they make more than the Company hath occasion for he is to spare them to the Inhabitantts. Otherwise the Brickmakers will put unreasonable Prices upon Bricks to the discouragement of Building.

Mr Wright to make a [Extract] with all ye [Chief] Brickmakers.

To Spare [bricks] to the Inhabitants.

There being about fiveteen hundred peeces of Long Cloth and fiveteen hundred Peeces of Sallampores found to be short in Lengths and Breadths of the

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Long Cloth & Salampores to be measured.

5 ℔ C^{t} to be taken off.

Cloth brought in by ye Merch^{ts} though generally not Inferiour to the rest in goodness as ye Warehousekeep^{r} sayes. It is ordered in complyance with the Right Honble: Companys Letter dated [*lacuna in the original*] that the same be measurd exactly, and an acc^{tt} taken of their Shortnesse of each Piece in Length and breadth and a Computation made how many peeces the said shortness makes up & the whole quantity, and the vallue thereof deducted from the Amount by Contract Price, and besides the said deduction five ℔ Cent is allso to be taken off from all the short Cloth and that in the measuring they make two sorts of Short Cloth, one more and one less Short, and the Warehousekeep^{r} is to put a marke of distinction accordingly upon all the Bales of Short Cloth.

Corrall sold to Rangia Chittee.

There being a Contract made with Rangia Chittee on the 28th Janu^{ry}: last for the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: Corrall [. . .] amount of Pagodoes 27780 : & 8 fans, which was weighed off to him in March, and by Contract was to be received by him in Seaven months from the date of his Bond, he paying the money, as he received it, upon which their Contract he has Received allready [*Lacuna in the original*] Chests which amount to about Pagod^{s} thirteen thousand five hundred, and [. . .] at Sundry tymes payd in Pagod^{s} Eighteen thousand 500. That there is due from him on the Acc^{tt}: Pagod^{s}: 9487 : with Interest. Rangia Chittee being sent for answers that he owns the debt and will pay the same as soone as he can, but the rest of the Partners not complying for their shares, he desires that justice may be donne Him. Whereupon it is ordered that Rangia Chettee doe tomorrow give an account to Judge Dolben of the names and shares of his Partn^{rs}: and their failures. That he may have right donne him and the Right Honble: Company receives their money. The Gentoe Pagoda in the Black Town being built by Timina, the former Chief Merchant, and from that tyme kept in repayre and maintained by the Chief merch^{ts} who allso Received the Custome of the Gentoe Pagoda, voluntaryly payd by all but Europe Nations, and Armenians, wherewith they orderd the maintainance of their Braminees &c^{a} and allso the more famous Pagoda of Triblicane w^{ch}: is mentioned in one of the King of Golcondahs Phirmaund dated the 23rd ffeb^{ry} 1676 to be granted to the Company, which was obtained at the Speciall instance of Verona, and hath been ever since und^{r} the management and care of our Chief Merchant who applied the Profit of the adjacent grounds to the maintainance of their Braminees &c^{a} amount yearly from Pagod^{s} fifty to seaventy until lately President Yale took both the said Pagodoes out of [the] hands of the Chief Merchants, and made Rangia Chittee, Collavencatadre and Child, Conacople the Overseers and Govern^{rs} of the Pagodoes. Though nothing doth appears in any Consultation of the Reason which mooved President Yale to doe it Since which tyme the Inhabitants have entertained Jealousyes of Dyabolicall arts practis'd in those Pagodoes against some of the merchants and the[ir] Party. The merchants being Present it was declared to them that for their Encouragement and the better satisfaction of the Inhabitants. We doe give them liberty to make the same use of their Pagodoes and to receive the same Income for both as formerly, but reserve to ourselves the Power of recalling that Liberty when we shall see cause, and allso that the Ground belonging as they say to Triblecane is to be disposed of by us to such Inhabitants, as we shall think fitt to settle there, and that it is not in their Power to lay any Taxe upon such Inhabitants without our Consent, and farther that they are to give an acc^{tt} Yearly on every new years day of the acc^{tt} of the Incomes of Triblicane and how the same does arise.

Rangia Chettee to give acctts: to Judge Dolben.

Concerneing the Pagoda in ye Black Town.

The m^{r}cts to have same use of their Pagod^{s} as formerly.

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Judg Dolbens report about Mr Rodrigues concerng ye Princess Ann.

The Worp^{ll} John Dolben Esqr Judg advocate acquaints that he had perused all Papers relating to Mr. Rodrigues and Comp^{as} Contract about the ship Princess for China and considered the same, and that he was of opinion that Mr Yale and Councill had given such full discharges to Alvarez upon his payment of the freight and ten dayes Demurrage agreed upon; that the Honble Comp^{a} could not make any further demand on that acc^{tt} of M^{r}: Alvarez. But that the remayning seven dayes Demurrage, if due to them, ought to be payd by those Persons who

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gave such discharge without a Just Ballance of the acc[tts] : and that he will not fayle to draw up a perticul[r] State of the whole affayre to be ready to y[e] first Conveyance for the Hon[ble] Company's persuall.

J. Goldsborough.
Nat: Higginson.
Jo: Dolben.
Will: Fraser.

The stress of the 7 dayes demurrage of the Princess Ann at China, ought to fix on the Late Presid[t] Yale, who ordered the ffrcheh Jesuits their passage on said Ship, the chief cause of their troubles.

W[m]: Hatsell.
James Wheeler.

Sam[l]: Wilson S[ecry].

Att a Consultation

Monday 2d.

Present

His Exc[cy]: S[r]: John Glodsborough Kn[t]: Com[ry]: Gen[ll]:
The Hon[ble]: Nathaniel Higginson Esq[r]: President
John Dolben Esq[r]: Judg Advocate
M[r]: William Fraser M[r]: William Hatsell
M[r]: James Wheeler.

The Merchants having not been Tasherift on the last Contract as accustomary and as was agreed by former Consultations, They were this morning sent for and Received their Tasherifs with nine Gunns, which served as well for the Contract, as New years day, After which we went all to the Garden, where the Mayor and Aldermen were Invited to dyne with us, which is donne instead of the Publick ffeast, made annually about new years Tyde. The merch Tasherift.

Orderd that one hundred Pagodoes be payd to the washermen on acc[tt]. 100 Pagd pd the washermen.

Orderd that M[r]: William Hatsell be appoynted one of the Justices Assistants in the Court of Admiralty to the Worp[ll]: John Dolben Esq[r]: in the Roome of M[r] William Fraser during the Tryall of such actions as are now depending in that Court, between the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[a]: and Elihu Yale Esq[r]: or the aboad of M[r] William Hatsell in this place. Mr. Hatsell [Justice] in Court of Admiralty.

Narso one of the four Cheif Washermen having so ill behaved himself among his owne Caste, That none of them will be perswaded to worke under him alleadging that he has allway's cheated them in their Wages, and otherwise abused them that they can no longer be persuaded to endure him. And the other three Washermen offering an obligation for Payment of the Debt due to the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp: from the Washers, and for washing all the Comp[as] Cloth Provided they may be the three Cheif Washermen and Narsoe lay'd aside. It is order'd that henceforth Roggia, Saugie [. . .] and Coopah be the three Chiefe Washermen and that [the] head in the Gen[ll] Books be changed from Narso &c[a] Washermen to Raggiah &c[a] Washermen. Narso Chief Washerman executed. [the three others) continued. Monday 2d. and they to be charged wth Narsoss debt.

M[r]: Francis Brough being arrived from Metchlepatam and producing an acc[t]: of Pagod[s]: three hundred thirty six fa 2¼ expended by him at Metchlepatam and Maddapollum in ten months tyme ending Decemb[r] last.

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Mr Betts to deliv^r an acctt of ye whole exped^n on Metchlepatam and Maddapollam and M^r. Brough to give an acct of ye household stuff & lettrs to be sent to ye Bramines &ca.

It is orderd that Mr Betts do[e] out of the Gen^ll : Books deliver in an accot^ts : of the whole Expence on those two ffactorys, from the comeing away of the Cheifs M^r: ffreeman & Mr Wales, and that Mr Brough doe tomorrow deliver us in an acc^tt of all the Goods and House hold Stuff which are in each ffactory, and that forthwith Lett^rs : be prepared to be sent to the Bramines and Dubashes Resident in those ffactorys to enorder them to hyre Boats and send all up with all Expedition and because there are several Demands of Rents at Metchlepatam; whereof one has been lately made there for a part of the ffactory Ground and Buildings. It is orderd that the Bramine and Dubash doe discharge, on condition the Governm^t doe permitt them to bring off, all the R^t Honble Comp^as Goods; otherwise not to pay.

Concerning Precedency of ye Mayor,

Orderd that the Mayor (when he is not one of the Council) in all Places within his Jurisdiction, during his office, shall take Place of all Persons under the President, and all other tymes to take Place next to the Councill and when he is of the Councill to take his Place accordingly.

West Coast Genll actts & Invoyces to be Copyd out.

Ordered that the Gen^ll : Lett^rs : sent hence to the West Coast and Received from thence be Copye^d out for the use of any Person that may be sent to in[vestigate the] affayrs there, and also Copyes of their accompts and Invoyces Received and sent, and that M^r : Wheeler doe forthwith state their acc^tts : Currant, so farr as it can be donne here, M^r : ffraser is also order'd to draw out of the Gen^ll : Lett^rs Memorand^s of what they have lately [. . .] for, and of any materiall advices.

MONDAY 2.

ye Northampton frō Bengall.

This day arrived the Northampton from Bengall John Law Master [. . .] Burthea [. . .] who brought Mr Hilyar ffactor, and his wife M^rs ffteetwood a firee merchant, and Mr Currysand a Gen^ll : from Chutta[nu]ttee Dated Dec^ber 15th 1692.

J. GLDOSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : HATSELL.
W^M : HATSELL.
SAM^L : WILSON Sec^y: JAMES WHEELER.

THURSDAY 3RD.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^Y : S^R JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T : COM^RY GEN^LL :
THE HON^BLE : NATH^LL : HIGGINSON ESQ^R : PRESID^T :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R: JUDG ADVOCATE
M^R : WILLIAM FRASER M^R : JAMES WHEELER.

The paym^r to be 34 Pag^ds.

The Paymaster having provided the ffurniture of a Cott, Table Lynning &c^a Necessaryes wanting for the accomodation of the Comissary Generall to the amount of thirty fower Pagodoes and fower ffannams, as ℘ acc^tts : delivered and approved. He is orderd to charge the same in his Monthly acc^tts : of Charges Gen^ll.

The [. . .] deliv^r to [. . .] an all things [. . .] Mr Stables.

Mr Dolben having produc'd a warrant of attourney from the wife of Mr John Stables Deceas'd, for examining and gathering in his Estate. The Paymaster to whome the care of that matter was before comitted is order'd to deliv^r to S^d Mr Dolben all the books and Papers and money of the said M^r : Stables now in his hands, that the R^t : Honble : Comp^a may be the better satisfy'd in the acc^tts: thereof.

[. . .] [. . .] Demand his Estate of Capt. Perryman.

The R^t : Honble : Company having also recomended to us by their Gen^ll : Lett^rs: Dated 9th May 1690, to state the acc^tt : of M^r. [. . .] who is since deceased. [. . .] that matter, and make Report thereof also to demand his Estate of Captain Perryman and call him to a strict account for the same

Mr Francis Brough deliverd in a paper of Memorandums concerning the Northern ffactorys; and Inventorys of Houses and moveables at Metchlepatam and Maddapollam. The memorandums to be enterd after this days Consultation.

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BY THE COMRY: GENLL: THE PRESIDT AND COUNCILL

Ordrd all Vessells & Goods Sent to ye Bay to be consigned to ye Agent.

Upon Reading the thirtyth Paragraph of the Rt: Honble: Compas: Lettr: by ye Samuel Dated the 22d of Janry 169½. Wherein the Rt: Honble: Company having Considerd the Damages arisen to them and others by Merchants and others to whome they have indulged Trade into Bengall, who have Consigned their effects [to] Private Persons, and thereby the Natives have made great advantages of haveing many Buyers by rayseing the Prizes of Goods accordingly. To prevent which for the future they have orderd that, all Europe Merchants tradeing thither from Madrass, Tevenapatam, Vizagapatam, Bencoolen or elce where, shall Consigne their Goods and Effects sent thither, to the [agent there] for the tyme being: and shall pay him two ℔ Cent for his service: and no Ship or Vessell shall Sayle to the Bay: but such as are Consigned as aforesaid: Though they may put any other Person or Persons in the Consignation. In which nothing more is aymed at, but good ordr: and Regulation, which will be also best for the Private Persons concern'd. Their[fore] we have thought fitt to order the Strict Observance of [the] above said order. That no Ship or Goods of the forementioned Persons or Places shall sayle into Bengall without such Consignment to the Rt: Honble: Compas: Agent, as they tend[er] the wellfayre of the Trade and Their not being obstruc[ted] therein and all offenders that are the Rt: Honble: Compas Servants, either Consigning or receiving such Consi[gnments] shall be ex[pelled their service] and all [other offenders] shall [forfeit their Priviledg favour and Protection] which they doe now enjoy in their Trade under the Rt: Honble: Compa: and the Secry is to affix this order at the Sea Gate: and That Copyes hereof be sent to all the Rt: Honble: Compas: fforts, ffactory's and Garryson who are orderd by his Exclly: Sr: John Goldsborough Knt: Comry: Genll: to Publish the same.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML: WILSON Secry.

Noats and Remembrances of some affayrs in Metchlepatam and Maddapollam.

[Mr. Broughs] Mendms concerng [Metchlepatam] & Maddapollam.

The ffactorys are both much out of repayre, and to Repayre them well, will cost at least Seaven or Eight Thousand Pagodoes each, But if not Settled, the necessary repayre to keep them from falling will require two or three hundred Pagodoes; and the tyme to doe it is now this dry Season, before the Raines comes in; In Metchlepatam the great house and Godownes and Cookroome are all so leaky, that if some care be not taken they will rott and fall down, allso the Standard begins to rott; the Brick work loose, the Gyes rotten will want Europe Rope, Tarr &ca and the Pales round ye ffactory are much decay'd.

The acctt: of Ground rented by the Rt: Honble: Company; in the ffactory of Metchlepatam is as foll Vizt.

	Pagds:	Fan.
Burremea his last payment was July the 25th 1687 [to February the] 29th last past that I offerd payment abateing [halfe for] the tyme the Rt: Honble: Company had no use of the ffactorys being seized by the King is fower years Seaven Months at thirteen Pagodoes ℔ year is	55	0
Mustaphas last payment was [August] ye: 3rd 1687 to ffebry ye 29th last past is fower years eight Months at three Pagods ℔ year ...	14	

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	Pagds:	Fan.
Mamud Hussens last Paymt was on the ye 31th: Octobr: 1686 to ffebry ye 29th: 169½ is 5 years 4 mos	80	0

	Pa.	Fa.	Ca.	
Burromea ...	55	0	0	
Mustapha ...	14	0	0	
Mamud Hussen ...	80	0	0	This cleard by me ꝑ 40 Pags.
	149	0	0	

From ffebry: 29th: 169½ they will expect their full Rent; now one and the greatest Payment is cleard ꝑ half Rent the others must Comply in like manner.

It's my opinion that 30 Garse Boats will not bring all the house Moveables &ca of the two ffactorys and each boats ffreight will not come under 40 or 45 Pagods: Besides the Boats being all taken up for Graine [wood,] &ca will hardly procure any, and before your advices can gett there Boats procured and Goods Laden the Monsoons will be so farr spent, that they will not fetch the ffort and their ffreight they will have beforehand which will be mony lost.

What may be reckoned of vallue in ye ffactorys, is the Timbars and Brimstone; The house Moveables if remove them must be at charge to transport them or provide nue if should hereafter Settle. But if Your Excy: Honr: &ca think convenient to remove all; it may be doñe by a Vessell from hence with an English Comander though she Sayle from these Parts, the last of ffebry: by makeing a Stretch out to sea. I beg yor: Excy: his Honrs: &ca Pardon for my presumption, Crave Leave and Remain.

Yor: Excys: &ca:
Most humble & obliged Servt
F[FRANCIS] BROUGH.

WEDNESDAY 4TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL
THE HONBLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Warehs Keepr to delivr ye Presidt [. . .] Pagds to coyne mony for ye Wt Coast.

Orderd that the Warehouse Keepr deliver to the President Dollers to Coyne silver money for the West Coast to the vallue of two hundred Pagodoes.

Rates for Coyning it.

To one ouns en Doller silver add alloy one et twelve graines makes in [. . .] at 17 grains ꝑ ffannam, make ffannams thirty, and three quarters over: Whereof twenty four fannams makes one Doller. Twelve half a Doller. Six a Quarter. Doller and three an Eighth of a Doller. Whereby Ten ꝑ Cent is advanced vizt: two and an half ꝑ Cent in the weight and seaven and an half ꝑ Cent [finenesse,] at present to Coyne single ffannams, and three ffannam Peeces. The Inscription on one syde to be [English Company] in the Mallay Language on the other syde [. . .].

Seat to be made in church for ye Mayor.

It is orderd that the Church Wardens doe forthwith cause a handsome seat to be made in the Church for the Mayor next belowe the Clerks Desk in the mid Isle, with a place for a Moor to laye on each side of him best to be seen, and

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that the Mayors wife be placed next belowe him on the same side, and take care to seat those Gentlewomen that will be displaced by that meanes where best it may be to their Content, having due regard to their Quallities.

The Warehousekeeper Reporting that in sorting the Blue Long Cloth, they finde none answerable to the Musters No. D: mentioned in the last Contract at twenty eighth: twenty seaven ffannams ℘ Corge: but that tis answerable to No. D + mentioned in the Contract of the 6th September 1688. Rated at [. . .] odees 27, 24, ℘ Corge. It is orderd that the said be Recevd [. . .] embaled by the Warehouse Keepr under No. D + and so [. . .] with the merchants. Concerñg ye blue long cloth. That it be unbaled.

Haveing ℘us'd and Considerd severall of the Clauses of the Rt: Honble: Companys Letters relating to the Customes. We have thought fitt to Publish the following orders relating thereunto, and that the Sea Customer take care they be put in a Table to stand at the Sea Gate for Publick view in English, Portuguese and Gentoe. WEDNESDAY 4TH.

The Rt: Honble: Compa: have made it a Law in their Citty and Port of Madrass That all Goods Exported or Imported (their owne goods and all Jewells Plate and Money onely excepted), shall pay towards the Charges of the Garryson, and ffortification five ℘ Cent Custome and for the better doeing thereof It is thought fitt to [make] publick these following Rules and orders. Ordrs concerñg ye Sea Custome.

1st. The Comandr or Purser of all Ships or Vessells intended to Lade Goods at this Port, shall first make Entry of the Ship or Vessell by her name and the Masters. What Burthen how many men & Gunns she carryth and wither Bound, and shall not depart from hence untill he hath duely cleard his Ship or Vessell in the Custome house as is herein appoynted and have the Governours Leave for his goeing.

2dly. The Comandr or Purser of all ships or Vessells shall with[in] twenty four hours after their arriveall in this Road if, wind and weather permitto make due entry of their ship or Vessell in the Custome house, with the Master, and Ships name; What Burthen the Ship is, How many men, Gunns and Passengers they have and from whence they came and shall give in a Manifest of the Ships Cargo, and to whome belonging or Consigned, with the Markes, Numbers, Quantity and Qualitys of the same, and upon his or their Landing shall first attend the Governour before he goeth elcewhere.

3dly. That at the arriveall of any Ship or Vessell, and Manifest given of the Cargo, or Goods to be Landed, The Cheif Customer shall then sett a Rate on the Severall sorts of Goods, according to the highest markett price. Which Rate so sett by him, shall be the Rule to calculate the Customes by, for [that] Cargo or what part of it is to be Landed here, and upon sight of the sorts and goodness or badness of Quallityes of Goods, It shall be allowed to the Customer to allter that Rates: allwayes takeing care that right be done on both sides.

4thly. That the Owner or Claymer of any Goods shall enter the same and Deposite more than the Custome with the Receiver: and then upon the Receivers Certificate the Customer shall give a Warrant for disembarqueing of the said Goods, and upon Landing thereof, the Customes shall by the respective officers thereto appoynted be adjusted & payd accordingly out of the deposite for that purpose: and then the Owner may carry his Goods away, and not before, and receive back the over plus of the deposite.

5thly. That all Goods Traverst from one ship to another, shall pay Custome one and the same as if they were landed.

6thly. That no Goods shall be Traverst or taken out of any ship, or taken into any ship from another, untill due Entry be made thereof and a Warrant for soe doeing be given by the Cheif Customer, and some Person appointed to take an acctt: thereof under penalty of forfeiture of all the said Goods, by the Owner and each ship so Offending shall pay a ffine of Two hundred Pagodoes. One halfe

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for the Rt: Honble: Company and the other half to the Seizer and the Informer, sueing for and Condemning the same in the Admiralty Court.

7thly. That all ships or Vessells except the Rt: Honble: Compas owne shall pay Anchorage to the Customer before they shall be cleared out of the Custome house, after the Rates hereunder perticularly written Vizt.

		PAGDS.
Europe ships ...	of 200 Tons or upwards	9
	under 200 Tons	6
Countrey ships ...	of 100 Tons or upwards	5
	under 100 Tons	3
	Sloops or Ketches	2
	Great Boats	1
	Small Boats	½ Pago:

8thly. And all Ships or Vessells that shall goe away out of the Road, before they have payd all duty's and cleared out of the Custome-house [as] is appoynted, shall be forfeited one halfe to the Rt: Honble: Compa: and the other half to the Seizer. Sueing for and Condemning the same in the Admiralty Court: and the Customer or his Deputy shall use all means to stop them by order and the Gunner to ffire at them without farther Order from the Governour, and after the first shot to hit them [i]f they can and [in] case the ship cannot be stopped or afterward Seized, The Master shall stand ffined for a Thousand Pagodas to be sued for and recovered in the Admiralty Court as before where or whenever he can be taken or come at or his Estate.

9thly. All Goods to be shipped off, the Merchants shall pay the Custome thereof at the Entry of the same and take a Warrant from the Customer for shipping the Goods and shall put or Indorse on the back of the Warrant, the Marks, and Numbers and quantity of the Goods before shipping thereof: and no goods shall be shippd before the Custome is payd and a Warrant taken out for the same, and duely examined by the Serchers and soe Indorsed under penalty of forfeiture of the said Goods. One halfe to the Rt: Honble: Company and the Other halfe to the Seizer. Condemning the same in the Admiralty Court.

10thly. That all Comanders and Pursers outward bound, intending to cleare their ship or Vessell from the Custome house, shall give in a Bill of Content from the Boatswine (or others keeping acct aboard of the Ladeing) unto the Searcher, who is to compare it with the Entrys and warrants granted, and upon finding them agree, and all other dutys fully payd and satisfy'd: The Se[a]rcher or officer appoynted shall clear the said ship by Certyfying that all Dutys are payd, and the tyme when she was clear and this noat they are to shew to the Govr: at taking leave of him.

11thly. All Goods from ffort St David that come hither, and hath payd the Rt: Honble: Company a Sea Custome of five ℔ Cent at that place, shall not upon due Certificate thereof pay any Custome here and the like is intended for Goods from hence thither.

12thly. The Lawfull tyme for Landing and shipping off Goods is appoynted to be in the day from Sun Rise to Sun Sett, and the Place between Fishers Poynt and St Thomas Poynt and if any Goods, shall be shipped off or Landed at any other tyme or Place. It shall be for [feited] one [halfe] to the Rt: Honble: Company and the other half [to the seizer that] condemns the same in the Admiralty Court Ex[cepting allways] the force of Winds Weather and streames which hinders Boats comeing ashoare both in tyme and Place, of which [the customer] shall be Judge or in any extraordinary case the Governour [and Councill].

13thly. All Persons are forbidden to ship off any Counter [band Goods] or to bring any in, that shall be declared to be such by [the Governour] and Councill: Posted up at the Sea Gate from tyme [to tyme as] occasion shall require under Penalty of fforfeiture of [the said Goods] and every Person so offending shall be

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fined five hundred [Pagodas]. One half for the Rt: Honble: Company, and the other half [for the] Informer Condemning the same in the Admiralty Court. [Signed].

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WM: HATSELL.
SAML: WILSON Secry. JAMES WHEELER.

Sent a Genll: to Madapollam directed to Mr: Phillip Noden Received a Genll: from ffort St: David, Dated the Second [. . .] with all the Musters of Blue Cloth, they have and the Warehouse [. . .] acctt: of the same.—That they have drawne a Bill on us [. . .] five hundred Pagodoes payable to Mr: Constable. They [.. . .] leave to repayre Cuddalore ffortifications :—and that [. . .] want ffactors, Stores, and assistance. a Generll to Madapoll 4TH.

The aforesaid Musters of Blue Cloth were delivered the Warehousekeeper seal'd as they came.

AT A CONSULTATION [5TH.]

Present

HIS EXCCY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR: WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordered that Mr Symon Holcombe and Mr: Thomas Wright take a full and satisfactory view of the Portuguese Church: and the Buildings thereto belonging about it, both within the Church and without in the Yard, and truely examine what enlargement hath been lately made, either in Length, Breadth or Height: and what Lights more than formerly was, and make Report thereof to us, and the Secretary is to acquaint Mr: Holcombe and Mr: Wright herewith. [Persons] ordered to view the Portuguese church.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WM: HATSELL.
[SAML] WILSON Secry. JAMES WHEELER.

Order'd the Paymaster to receive of Mr: Bridger for his freedome fifty-six Pagodoes. [ ] to pay 5%:

Mr Joseph Hillar p̃d into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash, ninty Pagodoes in full of his Bond, given the Rt: Honble: Compas: for Permission off his ffamilys passage on the Charles the Second: and his Bond delivered him Cancelled. [ ] pd 90 Pagds.

This day one of the Rt: Honble: Company's Horses which came from the Camp: dy'd. 7TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCCY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL: MONDAY 9.
THE HONBLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Bill of Ryalls $\frac{8}{8}$ six thousand Fower hundred ninety eight Mexico presented by Capt James Howell Comandr of ship Diamond drawn 12th September last by Charles ffleetwood and John Butterfeild Cheif and Second of York ffort, is accepted, and the Warehousekeepr is orderd to pay said Howell so many by Tale, Bill of 6498 ℔ drawn from Bencoolen accepted.

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out of the five Chests Received by ye Sampson: and the bill is enterd next after this Consultation.

A Contract wth farmrs of Beetle Leaf. The President Reported a Contract made with the ffarmrs: of Beetle Leafs, which is approved, and enterd next after this Consultation.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML WILSON Secry.

The Contract wth ye ffarmrs of Beetle leafs. Severall Chittees of this Place having for some years agreed among themselves and bought up all the Beetle Leaves, that came hither for Sale, and when they had it in their owne hands, made the Inhabitants pay Dearer for it than is reasonable and yet did not take care to Supply the Place with that which was good.

MONDAY 9TH. It is agreed and orderd that Gautala Yellapa, Porroo Narsoo, Ballabadroo. [Paupia] Gundequia Vancana & [antapa chittee] Ingga [shall] [have full] power to furnish the Shopkeeprs and Market People of Madrass with Beetle Leaves at the same rate for every Month in the Yeare or cheaper, than hath been accustomary in former years, according to the goodness and sort: and shall take care to provide that which is good and they so doing it is not lawfull for any other Person whatsoever to sell any Beetle leaves to any Shops or to the Buzar. Nor is it lawfull for those who keep the Buzar, or Shops or Sell by Retail to buy of any other Persons except the aforementioned: under the Penalty of one Pagodo to be paid both by the buyer, and seller into the Choultry for every ffannams worth of Beetle so sold and bought, whereof one-third Part shall be paid the Informer. But if the Buyer or Seller be a Stranger, the Stranger shall be excus'd, and if the said Gautala Yellapa and his Partners shall sell Beetle Leaves dearer than they Should doe in the Season of the Yeare, or otherwise act against reason & Custome upon complaint made to the Presidt: or Justices of the Choultry the Offendour Shall make satisffaction, according to the nature of the ffact, and upon these Termes this Cowle is granted unto the said Gautalla Yellapa and Partners, for one yeare from the date hereof, they paying to the Rt: Honble: Compa: Pagodoes forty one and twenty fower ffannams at the beginning of every Month in the Year, and it is understood that the [Herb]women may bring and sell St Thoma Beetle Leaves, as they use to doe to the English &ca.) All the Inhabitants of this Place are to take notice hereof; and the Peons and Conacoplies who lookt after the Watches are to take care that this Order be observed. —Dated in ffort St George this day of January Anno 169⅔.

Saus Deo in York ffort Bencoolen 12th 7br 1692 Att sight of this our first Bill of Exchange please to [. . .] to Capt James Howell or Assignes the sume [. . .] and fower hundred ninety eight Ryalls of ⅝ Mexico for the Vallue here Receiv'd of him and pla[ce] it to the acctt: of the Rt: Honble: English East India Company as ℔ advice of Honble: &ca: Yor: Obedt: Servants To the Honble: Elihu Yale Esqr: Presidt: & Govr of ffort St George in the Citty of Madrasspm &ca Councill.

JOHN BUTTERFEILD.
CHARLES FFLEETWOOD.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTR FROM VELOGOTEN YAUSOMONAIK TO CAPT: MORE OF CHENOPOTAM—FROM CHINGY DATED THE 2D JANRY 169⅔ RECD THIS 9TH DTO.

I enjoy my health and should be glad to heare the like from your Honr: You are very Sencible that the Mogulls Army being against this Place, cannot effect their designe after a long tyme lying before it.

Since thirty thousand of our horses came from above, at once, at first bout, we took, Allemaunde Cawn, and Macaye Small Cawn, whome we have now in our ffort of Chingee,* since the Mogulls death, and Shah Allums comeing to the Throne,

* The Mackenzie M.S.S., Vol. 56 reads *Calingee.*

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who had allwayes a great kindness for Vizapore and Golcondah, wch : your Honr : is very well sencible of) my Enemyes are come to nothing, and Caun Bux being now a Prisonr : Assid Caun and Zulphakore are very much troubled, but we concern ourselves no more about them, than with Macaye Small Caun, whome we look upon as our Prisoner likewise, ffor we now vallue not our Enemys one farthing.—Over Golcondah Countrey fforts, Conjeverone and Callapa Countrys, we have made Causau Ramanah Subidore, who will bring all under our Government, and he will write to you desireing yor : assistance therein. Our Enemys being now dispersd. I understand with their ffamilys and Estates fly to yor : place and since your Honr : and we are so great freinds, I rec[kon] it the [same] thing as if they were in our Custody.

There[for] I desire it of your Honour to keep watche upon them, that neither they nor any thing they have may escape from you, which you may easyly doe. Wherein you will so far obleige me as to make me contribute all I can, that your affayrs may prosper to the utmost. Whatever Causau Ramanah writes to you about, pray comply with him in, who will give me an acctt : thereof, and shall be highly estemed by me. Your Honour being a wise Judicious Person I need not write more largely. Onely desireing your Honr : would often acquaint me of your health.

Translate of a LettR from Causau Ramanah from Conjeverone to CapT : More of Chenopotam Dated the 8TH JanRY 169⅔ & RecD the 9TH DTO. a Translate of a Lettr.

I enjoy my health and should be glad to heare the like from your Honr : Your Honr: is sencible of our haveing taken Prisoners Allemaunde Caun and Macaye Small Caun, and of the Mogulls Army being in great disorder, Zulphakor de Caun lately marching out of the Mogulls Camp to Wandewas to gett Provisions and Santoge Goard Padda meeting him, with twenty thousand horse, as he was returning forc'd him to run into Desoor ffort, so that now he can't gett out being surrounded by the Morrattos and moreover the Mogulls army being before Chingee : one Donage Johada and severall other great Persons, surrounded the Army whereby they cutt them off from all manner of Provisions comeing to the Prince and Assid Caun &ca whereupon many of the Mogulls Merchants and Shopkeepers came to us upon our granting them our Cowle, and we doubt not but with the help of God in fower or five dayes to have all our Enemies in Chingee ffort. Lately Bengalalsey Mamondob Shanebeg and Agaudau Cauderau have got into Conjeverone and ruind [the Countrey] : which came to his Majestys Rama [Rajahs] hearing, who sent me with a Thousand horse and fower thousand foot to these Parts where after my ariveall. I took their Drums, fflags, Trumpets and forty horse, whereupon they throwed off their Arms, and ran away to Triblecane, Sante May and those Parts leaving all behinde them. They are treacherous Rogues. So that if yor : Honr : denyes them shelter they can finde it no where.

Your Honr being a wise understanding man, knowing the Country Custome, and likewise the tymes; you are sencible whats fit to be donne and what not; Wherefore they being such of Villains and yor : Honr : so worthy and Judicious a Person, tis needless for me to tell your Honr : it will not prove your Intrest to protect them. If his Maje or his Excellency should chance to heare you succour them, they would take it very ill, and blame you since they have great Estates and Riches with them. Wherefore your Honour will doe well not to let them approach too neare you; all which will be a meanes to cause his Majesty and Excellency to have a greater esteeme for you ; which I desire your Honr : may have, and therefore advise this, that false Reports may not be rays'd against you : ffor his Majesty and Excellency esteem's your freindship extreamly, being a Person of so great Judgment and mighty Power. Therefore I againe desire you not to let these Rogues approach your Townes of Chinepotam, or Triblecane, and if they doe, turne them out, which will mightily satisfy, and please his Majesty and his Excellency.

Wherefore let your Honour consider the contents of this Letter that so you may continue in their favour.

I bid you heartily farewell.

[10TH]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 169$\frac{2}{3}$*——

Tuesday 10th.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^{CY}: S^{R}: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}: COM^{RY}: GEN^{LL}
THE HON^{BLE}: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^{R}: PRESID^{T}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R}: JUDG ADVOCATE
M^{R}: WILLIAM FFRASER M^{R}: WILLIAM HATSELL
M^{R}: JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Danl: Dubois pd Pagds. 1500

M^{r}: Daniel Dubois haveing deliverd a Paper of his objections to the Charge of Pagod^{s} pa 235105 3^{fa} given in against him by Mr Holcombe Cheif &c^{a} of Vizagapatam wherein he doth alleadg that Sundry Perticulars are wrong charged to his account amount to Pagodoes 1595^{pa}: 33^{fa}: ^{ca} but doth by his owne acc^{tt}: acknowledg that Pagodoes 1493^{pa}: 6^{fa}: 5^{ca}: is due from him to the R^{t}: Honble: Company. He hath this day paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Company's Cash Pagodoes 1500, being part of his money formerly attached in the hands of Mr John Styleman and M^{r}: Symon Holcombe Ex^{rs} to M^{r}: Thomas Gray Deceased, and the same is Rec^{d}: but not in full of his Debt to the R^{t}: Honble: Company.

Y^{t} ye Charges agt Dubois, Ffoquet & Chapman be examined.

And it is orderd that the Severall Charges against said Daniel Dubois, John Foquet, & Joseph Chapman, be examined on Tuesday next in the forenoon.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
SAM^{L}: WILSON SEC^{Y} W^{M}: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Conemeer Mrchts pd Pagd. 806

The Connemeer Merchants paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: Cash Pagodoes eight hundred and six being farther part of their Debt, due on their last [Conne] meer Contract.

10. Tuesday 10th.

Contents of Letter from Conjeverone.

Received yesterday Letters from Yausemonaik from Chingy, and Cassa Ramanah from Conjeverone. By which as well as by dayly Reports of our spyes, employed into those Parts for Intelligence it appears that Zulphaker Cawn and Assid Cawn on whome our dependance from the first undertakeing has been wholly placed for obtaining the Mogulls Phirmaund, are reduc'd into such streights by the Morattos, that unlesse a speedy supply arrive of men and Provissions they will be forc'd to quitt the Seige of Chingee and withdraw their fforces out of these Parts, which yet is doubtfull whether they can escape the Morattos, who are growne too strong of late, by a Recruit of numbers. That they have environ'd Zulphaker Cawn in Desore ffort (a place of little defence) and Assid Cawn in the Camp; so that it will be difficult for them to escape. There have been also various Reports for ten days past of the Mogul's death, and Shaw Hallums Succession w^{ch}: is asserted by Arsemanaigue's Lett^{r}: and beleived by some. By reason of Cawn Bux being lately imprison'd by Assid Cawn in the Camp by Shaw Hallums order, and the failure of the long expected supplyes. By which meanes there is a stop put to our Treaty at the Camp for a Phirmaund, Though our Letters mentioned in Consultation of the [*lacuna in the original*] of [*lacuna in the original*] to Assid Cawn Zulphaker Cawn and Emaum Cooley have been some time since ready with Copyes of our Golcondah Phirmaunds, attested by the Kings Duan, and 4 or 5 more eminent [*lacuna in the original*] in Town; and we doe not know how far this alteration in affayres may proceed, and how long it will continue.

The Letter from Artemanaigue mentions that Several of the Mogulls Servants with their Estates, are fled into Madrass, whome he expects we should secure & that from Cassa Ramana, names three men who are not to be admitted into Town. This day sent a Gen^{ll} [to] ffort St. David.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 169$\frac{2}{3}$*— [11TH]

AT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 11TH:

Present

HIS EXCCY SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordrd yt 80 be laden on board ye Berkeley Castle.

The Brigantine being arrived this day with Eighty Bales of Cloth from Vizagapatam: It is order'd that the said Eighty Bales be Laden on board the Berkeley Castle for Europe, and the Warehousekeepr cause no Bale of such sorts and numbers as there are Musters for here to be brought ashoare and examine and Report the same, and that the rest be forthwith Travers'd; and that as soon as the Brigantine is unladen; she be with all Expedition dispatched to ffort St. David, with the Stores apoynted by the List now produc'd and so much Lead as she can take in: with orders to returne presently with a Lading of Bales from thence, and the Customer is to take care and give account what Goods comes out of the Brigantine more than what is the Rt: Honble: Company's; that ffreight may be paid for them according to their orders.

the brigantine to be dispatchd to ffort St. David.

Pagds. 750 to be pd Mr. Hatsell.

Orderd that seaven hundred and fifty Pagodoes be paid to Mr. William Hatsell in full of a Bill of Exchange drawn by himself &ca Councill at ffort St. David, for so much paid then into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash.

Ordrd that Mr. Wright receive ye money for Kil Patrick wifes passage &ca.

This day Mr: Wright Provisionall Paymaster show'd us Symon Kil-Patricks and William Bowdlers Bond for fifty-six Pagodoes dated the 7th Instant, & payable the first of July next for his wifes clearing from the Rt: Honble: Compas: Service, in which she came under disguise in the Berkeley Castle.

Orderd that said Mr: Wright take the Bond and Receive the said fifty six Pagodoes when due [. . .].

WEDNESDAY 11TH.

Whereas by a Consultation of the thirteenth of December last it was resolved to suspend the takeing of Sea Custome on all sorts of Graine Imported for Reason's therein mentioned. But now the face of affayrs of the Mogulls Army before Chingee being chang'd: We think fitt to order That from this day forward, all Graine of what sort soever Imported, shall pay five ℘ Cent Custome and the Sea Customer is hereby order'd to receive it.

All Graine to pay 5 ℘. Ct.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.

WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML: WILSON SecrY

11TH. The Brigantine from Vizagapatam.

This day the Brigantine arrived from Vizagapatam whereon Mr: Samuel Owen tooke his Passage, and brought a Genll: Lettr: dated the 4th of Janua: with their Generall Bookes Letter H ending Aprill 1691 with Invoyce and Bill of Lading of eighty Bales. Account of Repayres of the Garryson Brigantine. A Diary sent by the Braminees of the ffactory. Account of Rupees and Pagodoes paid by Mr: Dubois. Mr: Owens acctt Currant. Mr ffauquetts Acctt: Currant, and a Ledger Acctt of Goods Recd from the Durbar by Mr Dubois, and Copy of Mr: Dubois Letter to the Seer Lascar.

[14TH]

SATERDAY 14TH.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE JANUARY 169⅔*—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^{CY} S^{R}: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}: COM^{RY}: GEN^{LL}:
THE HON^{BLE} NATHAN^{L}: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordr concerning paying for Passes.

Ordered that all Ships and Vessells and all Passeng^{rs}: or men what[so]ever that take common Passes shall pay unto the Secretary for the same according to the Rates hereund^{r}: mentioned. Which sums are to be disposed of according to the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{as} : Order in their Letter by the Sampson Dated the 29th: of ffeb^{ry} 169½. One third to the Secretary, & the other two thirds to be paid Monthly into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{as} Cash as part of their Revenue Viz^{t}.

	P.	FA.	CA.
Ships above 200 Tons	6	·	...
Ships of 200 Tons or under	4		...
All one masted Vessels of what denominac͞on soever that sayle with a Top sayle.		3	0
All Boats that sayle without Top sails ...		1	18
The Ship above 200 Tons a pass for their men.		4	0
The ship of 200 Tons or under for their men.		3	0
Every single Person or Passenger		2	0

In regard the Custome of Graine is now but nuely declared and the orders about depositeing the Custome before Landing any Goods not published long enough for merch^{ts} in other Places to be advised of & their being severall Boats now arrived hence, whose owner of the Cargoe is comeing by Land.—It is therefore Orderd in such Case that the Cheif Customer may give Lycence for the Landing of the Goods before the Owner comes.

Ordrd yt ye Sea Customr may give Lycence for Landing goods before ye ownrs come.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
W^{M}: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAM^{L} : WILSON SEC^{RY}.

SATERDAY 14TH.

Judg Dolben desired to demand of Mr. Yale 3483 Pagds. about ye Mud Points. He answers 'twas all agreed to by Councill.

The Comissary Gen^{ll} finding the Mud Po [ints and Walls] about the Black Town cost severall Thousand Pagod^{s}: and that Govern^{r}: Yale had made them at the R^{t}: Hon^{bls}: Comp^{as} Charge, against their Positive order, and the most of the Councills Exceptions Did desire Judg Dolben to make demand of President Yale for three thousand fower hundred eighty three Pagodoes, with Interest, being the cost of them and of a Phisick Garden. Judg Dolben return's answer that he hath demanded the same, and that Presid^{t} : Yale saith he hath not donne anything of that nature But whatt was either Order'd by the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: or agreed to by the Councill or of absolute necessity; and desires to be heard about it before any farther demand be made.

This day Timapa and Mooda Verona enterd into Bond for the appearance of Vincatadre Cheif Peon of ffort St. David.

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AT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 16TH.

Present

HIS EXCCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY GENLL:
THE HONBLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Orderd that One hundred and fifty Pagodoes be paid Mr. John Pitt Provisionall Storekeeper, for Provision of Gun stocks &ca Stores, And Six hundred Pagodoes to Mr: Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster, for defraying the Charges of the Garryson.

Pagds 150 be pd to Mr. Pitt and 600 Pagds to Mr. Wright.

Orderd that Robert Atkinson, one of the Gunnrs: Mates, goe aboard the Brigantine to oversee and direct the unlading and Lading of her, and take charge of her as Master for this Voyage to ffort St. David and back. The present Master, and all the men belonging to her, appearing to be shamefully negligent in their buisnesse to the great damage of the Rt: Honble: Company.

Orderd that the Storekeeper may sell Iron Sweede at Pagods: twelve ye Candy, and Spanish at Pagods thirteen Cordage at Pagodos Six ℘ Candy and Anchors at Pagods Six ℘ hundred and that the Warehousekeepr sell Lead at Pagos 13½ ℘ Candy if said Goods will not sell at better prices.

John Dolben Esqr Judg Advocate acquaints that Elihu Yale Esqr, John Nicks, Ranga Chittee, Anco, Pedana, had put in their respective answers to the Information Exhibited against them: and that the Honourable Companys Councill has Joynd issue upon them.

He farther acquaints that upon the Eleventh Instant he held a speciall Court of Goal Delivery, and summond a Grand Jury and Petit Jury of the most substantiall Inhabitants of the Place, who appear'd and that the Grand Jury found a Bill for murther and Burglary against Peter Abrahamson, and John Johnson Soldiers for breaking open the house in the night tyme, and Murdering of Rama Chitti: and brought in a Bill Ignoramus against Richard Ohell, for the Murder of a Dutch Soldier at Cuddalore. Tha't the Petit Jury had found Peter Abrahamson Guilty of the Murther and John Johnson not guilty: upon wch: he pronounced sentence of Death upon Peter Abrahamson.

He allso acquaints that upon Information of an Elephant belonging to John De Mark an Armenian Merchant, had killed a woman. He gave the Pettit Jury in Charge to Enquire the truth of it.

Who accordingly condemned it as a Deodand and found the vallue three hundred Pagodoes.

He allso acquaints that Lewis Pacheca who had lain in Prison four years upon suspicion, was brought to the Barr and discharg'd, no evidence appearing against him, upon Proclamation being thrice made.

Orderd that the Judg Advocate doe [issue out] his warrant to the two Junior Choultre[y] Justices to take care that Peter Abrahamson be Executed on ffryday the twentyth Instant, According to the Sentence Pronounced.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML WLISON Secry.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 169$\frac{3}{4}$* ——

TUESDAY 17TH. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^{CY}: S^{R}: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}: COM^{RY}: GEN^{LL}:
THE HONOURABLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R}: JUDG ADVOCATE
M^{R}: WILLIAM FRASER M^{R}: WILLIAM HATSELL
M^{R}: JAMES WHEELER.

This day M^{r}: William ffraser Warehousekeep^{r}: Paid into the R^{t}: Honourable Companys Cash five hundred Pagodoes on acc^{tt}: of Goods sold.

Orderd that three blank Coñissions be drawn up, the one for Lieutenant, the other two for Ensignes to be sent to ffort St David.

It being debated who is the Person proper to excute the Office of a Sheriff. It is determined that the same is to be executed by the two youngest Justices of the Choultrey.

The Land Customers Place being vacant by the Removall of Mr James Wheeler, Orderd that Mr Mathew Mildmay, succeed him in that buisness as Provisionall Land Customer and to be youngest Choultry Justice in the Roome of Mr Proby.

There being many Bales of the Vizagapatam Cloth w^{ch}: came on the Brigantine, and was Orderd to be Traversed on Board the Berkeley Castle, refus'd as damaged, and therefore brought ashoare.

The Warehousekeeper &c^{a} Sorters are order'd to examine the same forthwith, and to report their Condition, and the Master of the Brigantine to be Present.

This day was wholly spent in Examining the Transactions of M^{r}. Daniel Dubois when Cheif at Vizagapatam. M^{r}: Hollcombe, M^{r}: Owen, M^{r}: ffouqet and Mr Chapman being present, and examined to the severall Articles in order and M^{r}. Dubois fully heard what he had to say to each. But the farther consideration and resolution upon that matter is referred to the morrow morning.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^{M}: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAM^{L} WILSON SEC^{RY}.

This day Mr Manuchys Petition was read, requesting that his Goods might be Landed without makeing a Deposite of the Custome according to an Order Posted up at the Sea Gate Dated the 14th: Instant. But it was Resolv'd not to grant it.

WEDNESDAY 18TH. This day arrived a Portuguese Vessell from Bengall.

This day as well as the Preeceeding was spent in examining the Charges against Mr Dubois, Mr Holcombe, &c^{a} being present to maintaine them against him, and in the Evening began the Examination of Mr Fau[q]et's acc^{tts}: and Mr Dubois's charge against him.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^{CY}: S^{R}: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}: COM^{RY}: GEN^{LL}:
THE HON^{BLE}: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

THURSDAY 19TH. Order'd that the Customer doe upon Receipt of any Manifesto cause the same to be Coppy'd into a book kept for that purpose, and to be numbered in order as Received, and after Copy'd to deliver the same to y^{e} Presid^{t}.

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There being great quantitys of Grain allready Imported, and more expected; soe that there will not be sufficient Roome at the Sea syde before the ffort convenient for Lodging the same, and there being severall Parcells of Timber, Redwood, and Palmera belonging to the Right Honourable Company, and others, lying there.

It is Order'd that the Importers of Graine who have occasion, may have liberty to make use of the Places where the s^d Timber &c^a lye; they paying the charge of removing the same within the ffort, Otherwise may Lodg their Grain within the ffort if they desire it.

There being Complaints made by Taliars and Peons appoynted to watch the Black Town, that many People Inhabitants, and strangers doe walk up and down in the streets all night, w^ch: is the occasion of many Disorders, thefts and violences Committed. It is Orderd that tomorrow morning, the Choultrey Justices doe cause the Tom Tom to be beat through all the Streets of the Black Towne and Peatas forbidding all Persons to walk in the Streets after eleaven of the Clock at night under Penalty of one Pagodo to be pay'd into the Choultry or severe Corporall Punishment, as the Justices shall think fitt.

The following Order is to be sett up at the Sea Gate, signed by the Secretary and the like is Order'd to be Published in Deputy Governour Hatsells name att ffort S^t: David.

All Persons whatsoever are forbid to Transport out of the Citty of Madras, or Libertys thereof, either by Sea or Land, any Powder or Salt Petre, upon any pretence whatsoever without leave first obtained from the Comissary Gen^ll: under Penalty of forfeiting the same, and the Offendour to be fined for so doing at discretion [Signed].

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.
SAM^L WILSON Sec^ry. JAMES WHEELER.

The Brigantine Gingerlee having been for two dayes detained by bad Weather, was this day dispatch'd for ffort S^t: David, on whoome went Thomas Walton & Charles Bugden, with a Generall Invoice, and Bill of Lading for the Stores, Together with a Copy of the Order concerning Consigning all Ships and Goods, that are sent to Bengall; to the Agent, With an order against the Transportation of Powder or Salt Petre. 19TH.

This day Received a Generall from ffort St David Dated [. . .]fourteenth Instant, together with three books containing the Paymasters accounts comencing September 1690 and ending June 1692 which were deliver'd to Yeram Razoo to examine.

Proceeded upon the Examination of the Charges against M^r: Dubois, ffoquett, and Chapman: Perticularly the latter.

Proceeded upon the farther Examination of the Charge against the three above S^d: Persons. 20TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^CY: S^R: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Warehousekeeper having acquainted us that the Merchants did rayse some scruples concerning the sorting of Long Cloth Blue, Salampores, and Ginghams: We went to the sorting Godowne, and there upon view of the Cloth, SATURDAY 21ST.

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and Perusall of the Contracts resolved that the Long Cloth blue which does not come up to the Muster of Nº D: Should be sorted and taken as No. D: + at the same price as mentioned in the Contract September 1688. Vizt: so much thereof as is equall in the Judgment of the Sorters to No. D+ and there being among 200 Peices of Sallampores, Sorted as No. D 3+ some part of which though not exactly equall, yet comes very neare to No: 3 and among 100 Peeces of Sallampores, rejected as Inferiour to No. 3+ there is some part very little worse, and other part much worse, and not fitt to be mixed. The Warehousekeepr: is orderd out of the said hundred Peeces to take out such Peeces, as are so much worse than No. 3+: and to take in all the rest as No. 3+: and account to be made with the merchants accordingly and as to the Ginghams so farr as they have sorted, they report to be equall to No. 35+: but are short of forty Coveds in length.

The Warehousekeepr: is Orderd to take an account of the short Measure, for which the Merchants are to make an abatement as is mentioned in Consultacon of 29th Decemr. To be made for short Long Cloth and Sallampores and this Resolve is made as well for dispatch; as an Expedient to prevent doeing injury either to the Rt: Honble: Company, or the Merchants, especially in the Sallampores whereof we have no Nº belowe No. 3: and we do not think it convenient to make any Lower Muster, which would be hereafter made use of by the Merchants, as an encouragement and President for bringing in the Sallampores, worse and worse.

The Comissary &ca: viewing the Sea Syde, and finding the same filled from Poynt St Thomas, to Fishers Point with Graine, Palm'eras, Timbers &ca: some whereof lyes higher and closer to the Wall than is fitt. The Customer is order'd to take care that the Proprietors doe cause the same to be removed to a convenient distance from the Wall, and that the same order be observed for the future.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML WILSON Secry

21ST This day arriv'd a Ketch from Bengall in 14 days. The Madapollum ready to sayle thence in ten days. Nues that the Bengall Merchts is sold to the Armenians.

22ND This day ariv'd Captn Rixon in the Society from Atcheen. This day arived in this Road the Simon and Jude from Bengall Charles Winwright Master.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCCY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR: WILLIAM FRASER MR: WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

MONDAY 23RD.

Mr. Afflack hath Lyberty to transport Salt Petre.

Mr: Afflack a free Merchant of this Citty making Petition for Liberty of Shipping of some Salt Petre that he had formerly agreed and sold the Commandant of Trincomber and Councill for the Royall Danish Company and some that he had now aboard a ship in this Road, which he bought for the same Company by their Order. It is orderd upon his giveing Bond, that it shall not come into the ffrench hand he shall have Liberty to Transport the same being in all about one hundrd Candy.

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The President acquaints: That on the 20th: Instant Cojee Abanus and Cojee Gregorie came to him and told him that Allewerde Caun Prisoner in Chingee, (mentioned in Consultation of 23rd: Decembr:) had wrote them that Ramrajah had promised his Liberty for an hundred thousand Pagodoes for wch: a Shroffe had engaged to pay down fifty Thousand in Chingee and give security for fifty thousand Pagodoes more payable to Ramrajah's order upon the safe arrivall of Allewerde Caun in ffort St George, and that he ordered them to transact with the Governour of ffort St George for the reception of Allewerde Caun on this occasion. Being asked where the said remayning fifty Thousand Pagodoes was; and in whose hands, They answered That they had an account of about Sixteene Thousand Pagodoes Value in Elephants, Jewells, &ca in ffort St George or neare it and Pagodoes ten thousand in Corrapa Pagodoes forty thousand in Golcondah Ready money in the hands of Allewerde Caun's Shroffs. But in answer to severall questions put to them how they could be assured that the severall sums would be ready to be paid upon the arrivall of Allewerde Caun, they answered as to the Elephants &ca: they could not buy them, nor knew any body that would buy them, as to the money at Corrapa that it could not be brought by land hither, nor that from Golcondah for fear of being seiz'd by the Marattos in the way, and being asked wither they themselves would be security for the money; or knew of any body else; They answered No. But advised the President to transact with the Dutch for remitting the money at Golcondah by Bills to Poliacat in his own name, and being asked what the Consequences would be, if upon arrivall of Allewerde Cawn in ffort St George, the money be not ready, or Allewerde Cawn being here, should then refuse to pay, and demand to be sett at Liberty by us in the Mogull's name, as being his Subject, and Servant: Whether on the one hand Ramrajah, would not require the money of us; and on the other hand the Mogull demand the delivery of his Servant Allewerde Cawn: They answered that it was to be well considered. **Concerng Allewerde Cawn.**

By which Passage it does appear that these Armenians have a Correspondence with the Mogulls Officers, and to serve themselves in strengthning their owne Interest would draw so great an Inconvenience upon the Rt: Honble: Company, by engageing us to intermeddle in such an affair, upon such unreasonable termes and, doubtfull Prospect as would in the Consequance probably, lead us into a Quarrell, either with the Mogull, or Merattos, according as the present uncertain state of the Warr between them shall determine, and they being Persons that doe so well understand the nature of such affairs, it gives reason to suspect that they doe not herein designe any good to the Rt: Honble: Company; the rather because they have of late expressed themselves much discontented at the forfeiting of Cojea Abbanus's Eleph^ht: And we heare that upon some difference between Captain Dorrell and the Armenians in Bengall the English Pylots are taken out of their Ships.

One Momena a Persian who came hither with Alle Asker Cawn, three years since with his ffamily having employed one [*lacuna in the original*] to make stamps for Rupees under the notion of a Seale, which being inspected by the Goldsmiths of the Mint, they brought them to the President who examining of Him could not perswade him to confesse any more than that he was imployed to cut a seal whereupon the President sent Peons and Taliars with the Dubasse and Canocoply of the Choultrey to search the Persian house, takeing two other knowne Persians with them to attest their actions, which they did, and could finde nothing but a little Clay and some fileings of slate, and ye Persian persisting in the refuseall to confesse: The President promised him that he should be exempted from any farther Punishment than being turn'd out of Town, if he would voluntaryly Produce the Seales which [*lacuna in the original*] had made for him; upon which he and the Dubash &ca went to his house and brought them, which prov'd to be the Stamps of Rupees coyned at Eckbarabad, and being unfinished he hath not actually coind any Rupees by them. It is orderd that the said Persian and his ffamily be forthwith turn'd out of Towne, to be prosecuted if he returne to this Towne. The Stamps be broken; and that the Cutter of the Stamps be farther examined by **Concerng a Persian makg stamps for Rupees.** **Yt ye stamps be broken.**

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Ordr to pay ye Washr men 100 Pagods.

the Justices for the discovery of the Coyning of false Pagodoes, which is much suspected : Ordered that the Washermen be payd Pagodoes one hundred, on account of washing the Right Honourable Companys Cloth. Eramrause deliverd in the acctt : of the differences between the ffort St : David Paymasters acctts : of Ginapa the Conacaple and Yeggopa his servant amount to Pagodoes one hundred thirty-three fiveteen fannams twenty-three Cash in fiveteen months tyme, which is orderd to be deliver'd to Ginapa to answer, and that on Monday next Eramrauses Information against Vincatee the Cheif Dubash, the Mint Coranne &ca be examined.

Eram-rauses Examinacon Agst Vencatee.

Lettrs to Arsemaigne &ca.

Letters to Arsemaigue and Cossa Ramane of this day's date read and approv'd.

Mr : Robert Cranwell pay'd into the Right Honourable Company's Cash Pagodoes fifty and gave Bond of Mr Vicessimus Griffith for Pagodoes thirty Payable the eighteenth of March next ; towards his debt of about Pagodoes One hundred for account of Quitt Rent collected by him ending September One thousand six hundred ninety one and for the remayning part of his Debt, he alleadging that the same is due to him for Pallankine hyre in collecting the same is referr'd to farther Examination, being willing to Receive such Part as can be had at present.

Mr Cranwell pd 50 Pagods [ ] gave Mr. Griffiths noat for 30 payable 18th March.

Mr Cranwell ordrd to ffort St. David.

Mr : Robert Cranwell is order'd to ffort St. David to serve the Right Honble : Company in such Employment, as he shall be found fitt for ; except being of Councill or Steward.

That 1000 Pagds. be sent to ffort St. David.

Order'd that one Thousand Pagodoes be sent to Fort St David ℘ the sloop Cawdree for their farther supply, towards their Contract. To be put up in the Iron Chest, to be deliver'd into the hands of John Bush together with the Keys to be delivered by him to Mr John Heines Second &ca Councill at ffort St David.

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WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
SAML WILSON SECY. JAMES WHEELER.

23D.
Ye Julpha Mrct : from Bengall.

This day arrived the Julpha Merchant from Bengall in twenty day's Naquedah Aquelobeck Master, Burthen about twenty Tons.

24TH.
A Genll to ffort St David & Stores

This day sent a Genll to ffort St David ℘ Sloop Cawdre on wch : was Laden sundry stores to amount of three thousand one hundred twenty-six Pagodoes thirty-fower ffanams and two Cash, with orders to hasten her back with Bales, and the remaynder by the first opertunity. Being designed for the Lading of the Berkeley Castle. Therefore that they must be here in ten dayes.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 25TH.

HIS EXCCY : SR : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENRL :
THE HONBLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLLAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Yt ye Warehousekeepr buy penknives & Papr.

Orderd that the Warehousekeeper buy a Dozen Penknives. Twenty Rheam of Paper of the smaller sort at Pagodoes one and three quarters ℘ Rheame. The supply from England being judg'd not sufficient for this and other ffactorys :

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and also pay for two Rheam of Paper bought of Mr Decosta before the arrival of the Berkeley Castle at two Pagodoes ℔ Rheam, whereof the half to be charged to ffort St David, being then sent them overLand.

& pay Mr Decosta for papr.

Order'd that Mr Penford be assistant to Mr Mathew Mildmay Provisionall Land Customer.

Mr Penford assistt to Mr Mildmay.

The account of Cloth brought in by the Merchants as given in by the Conacoples is vizt.

Acctt of Cloth brot in by ye mrchts.

Embaled	Long cloths		Bales	33	
	Salampores		,,	3	Bales.
	Do. Blue		,,	11	47
Ready for sorting.	Long cloth W	1805 ps	,,	60	
	Do. Blue	36)	,,	12	
	Salampores	1313	,,	22	
At ye Washrs	Long cloth	3905	,,	130	
	Salampores	3399	,,	56	
At Dying	Longcloth, blue	310 ps	,,	10	370
Short cloth measured	Long cloth	736	,,	24	
	Salampores	592	,,	10	
To be measured.	Long cloth	710	,,	23	
	Salampores	600	,,	10	
	Ginghams	700	,,	13	
Besides Conemeer and Porto Novo Blue Cloth					75
					492 Bales.

The Warehousekeeper and the Merchants were order'd to Embale what is ready imediately, and to hasten in the rest from washing to be Laden on the Berkeley Castle; and to make up as many Bales of Brown Long cloth and Sallampores, as they can finde Cloth fitt for it.

to Embale w is ready.

& hasten ye rest from washg.

The Reason why the Warehousekeeper hath not Embaled more, because of late they have been employ'd in the examining of the Connemeere and Porto Novo blue Cloth & hath been diverted by frequent Consultations. But there being a necessity of dispatch, he is excused for the future from attendance on any other buisnesse, which may delay that of the Godowne—and for the better dispatch

The reason why more is not embaled.

It is order'd that Mr Symon Hollcombe doe assist in the dispatch and sorting as often as his buisness will permitt.

That Mr Hollcombe assist in sorting.

And Mr Mead having deliver'd a Letter under some of the Honourable Coñittees hands, recomending him as one bred a Lynning Draper, and so may be usefull to us by his knowledg, and skill in the Callico Trade; and that we imploy him in such way as we shall think him most capable of and the Warehouse Keeper having declared his want of such Persons for present helping in sorting and measureing Cloth, We have entertain'd him as a ffactor to be employ'd in the Warehouse till the Right Honourable Companys pleasure shall be farther knowne; and likewise his desire and entreaty that he may not be under all the ffactors, that are come out this yeare is referr'd as aforesaid. Which order relating to Mr Mead was resolved three weeks since, but by a mistake was omitted to be enter'd.

Mr Mead entertained as ffactor to be employed in ye Warehouse.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper doe review eighty five Peeces of Sallampores and twenty seaven peeces of Long cloth delivered by Mr Dubois, and that the same be valued by the Vizagapatam Musters, by the sorters and Mr Holcombe: and to be rewashed if their be occasion for it: to be Laden on the Berkley Castle under a Perticular Marke.

That ye Warehoute keepr doe review 85 ps of salampr & 27 of Long cloth.

The Warehousekeeper Reports the Condition of the Vizagapatam Bales ℔ the Brigantine, as enterd next after this Consultation and the accountant is Order'd to compute the damadg, and [. . .] the Master and Mate do make satisfaction

& Reports ye condicon of ye Vizagapatam bales.

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the same, and that so much thereof be rewashed and repack'd for Europe, as is fitt for it. The rest for ye Hospitall & Wrapprs.

500 Pagds to be pd Mr. Pitt.

Orderd that five hundred Pagodoes be payd Mr John Pitt by Bill of Exchange drawn from ffort St David by John Heines Second &cca Councill.

Concerng ye late Presidt Yale objeċons agst the mannr of giving ye Gentue Oath.

Judge Dolben Reports from the Admiralty Court that in a Tryall this day between the Right Honourable Company and the late President Yale, and others for wrongs and damages done them. That the said Late President had objected against the manner of giveing the Gentue Oath, by the usuall Ceremony of fetching water and fflowers from the Pagodo into Court: affirming that there was a late order of Consultation, by which the Ceremony of takeing Gentue Oaths was for the future established to be done before the Pagodo upon which the Tryall. was put off till the 28th Instant. Upon which Report we have made Enquiry of Mr William ffraser who hath been Choultry Justice and Mr James Wheeler who now is one of them, and are now two of Councill here, and also of Mr John Bridger, who hath been Second of Councill here, and Choultry Justice, and a constant Inhabitant of this Place for about 25 or 26 years who all declared the way of swearing the Gentues: hath been in the Court before the Judg, by causeing water and flowers to be brought from the Pagodo: the fflowers are put upon their heads, and they drink some of the water before or in the Court and both are given and done by the Bramine of the Pagodo and in the presence of the eternall God, who they believe in a more Perticular manner to be in all Courts of Justice, are required to speak the Truth and we likewise upon enquiry finde this hath been the usuall practice here, between Jentue and Jentue, as is declared, by the Jentue Merchants of this Place That some years past brought an action against the Towne Conocoply (a Jentue allsoe) of above seaven thousand Pagodoes, Wch: action was try'd by witnesses sworne so in Court as aforesaid, without the [least] mention or complaint on either Side against the manner of giving the oath in Court, or not sending the Witnesses to be sworne at the Pagodo, and the same method was observed in the eminent case of difference determined by the President and Councill anno 1686 between the Connemeere Merchants and Jerra Chittee their then Cheif Merchant, who upon the rest of the Merchants swearing against him, after the aforesaid manner in Councill was degraded; of which Connemeere Merchants, those now concerned in this Tryall as Evidence between the Right Honourable Company, and the late President Yale were a part, and President Yale was then Second in Councill, and consenting to and active in that resolution of Councill, ffarther there doth appeare two English men Vizt, Thomas Crosse, and George Isaac in President Yales tyme try'd in the Mayors Court, where appeared no materiall Evidence but Jentues thus sworne in the Court, by which they were both condemn'd & executed; when it was in President Yales Power to have repreiv'd them, if he had not been satisfyd with that way of swearing the Evidence, for he himself signed the Warrant for their Execution. Farther Mr Hatsell (one of the Assistts in a superiour Court, sett up by Presidt Yale, where he satt as Judg Advocate) and Edward Thredcroft the Registr doe allso affirme that the same Ceremony of water and fflowers from the Pagoda was always admitted in that Court as often as there was occasion of Jentue Evidence. But swearing before the Pagodo the most autient Inhabitants here know but two instances of, The first was after Tryall and Judgment, not as Evidence in the cause, (for that was determined by Evidence sworne after the usuall way in Court) but onely at the Instance of the Defendant; the Plaintiff by his owne Consent was to take up the money he had recover'd from before the Pagodo [. . .] The other instance was at the hearing of a Complaint in the Councill Chamber before the late President Yale and Councill against Vincattee Cheif Dubash at ffort St David who was accused of severall frauds and damages donne the Right Honourable Company (which cause is yet undetermined) Vincattee desyred that his arme and the Minters that witnessed the accusation against him might be made fast together, and so both put into Scalding Oyle, for a proof of Innocency, and named more Such

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like Tryalls, but they were not approoved of by the President and Councill. There did appeare Two Peons had some discours with one of the Minters that had Signed a Paper against Vincatee; who being asked whether Vincatee was guilty of the Cheat in the Mint: answered, They writ and bid me put my marke, but it is against reason. By which it was to be beleived that somebody had been Tampering with some of the Minters: therefore it was thought fitt by the President and Councill that the Minters should be sworne at the Pagodo, which they consenting to was accordingly performed. This is the Consultation Presidt: Yale insisted on, but there is nothing in it that doth make voyd the usuall way of giving the oath in Court, or establish that or any other to be the onely way and rule that Should be used for the future as he hath affirmed in Court. We likewise sent for a dozen or fowerteene of the Ancient Braminy Preists the most eminent in the place, and asked them of the same matter, who all unanimously gave it as their opinion and Knowledg that this is the way of their owne Jentue Government, swearing witnesses in the Cornat Countrey, when Evidence was not beleived without an oath; but that their Governour did never send [for] or force any of them to be sworne at the Pagodo: But did cause water and flowers to be brought from thence and swears them in Court: ffor say they, what is the Pagodo, it is an Image a Stone, where a Governour is, there is God, where two men are, there God is present, They farther said that there were severall sorts or ways of swearing, according as the differing Persons doth mutually agree; either by goeing to the Pagodo, or otherwise. But they againe assured us over and over, that the Government never caused them to sweare any other way but this mentioned in Court, Nor never sent any man to swear at the Pagodo: ffor this Ceremony of swearing at the Pagodo doth seeme to us to be thought so sacred, that the superstition of many of their Casts will not suffer them to performe, though they know beforehand the utter ruine of themselves and others, will inevitably ensue, upon their Refuseall of it, by which meanes it doth appeare to be impracticable in the ordinary course of Justice. Therefore we declare that according to the best Information we can finde, and some of our owne Experiences, this hath been the usuall way of swearing the Jentue Witnesses in Court before the Judg as aforementiond: and therefore Order the Continuance of it, Recomending to the Court to take speciall Regard to the Reputation of all such Persons as are admitted to give Evidence in Court with the Circumstances of the case: and also to take speciall care; that the water & flowers be brought from the Pagodo and the Ceremony done strictly as it ought, and by whome it ought to be, and that the adverse Party, against whome the Evidence is given, may have all due satisfaction therein if they Please.

Jentue Oath to be taken in Court.

We having Received a Petition from the Mayor and Alldermen of this Citty, about the measureing Duty of Rice and all sorts of Grain which is ceased to the Corporation, since the takeing of Sea Custome on the same, and desire they may have the Lycencing of publique houses to help support their dayly charge. It is Orderd That this be given for answer thereto. That we hope there may be supports for the Corporation found out by them wch: are not part of the Right Honourable Companys Revenues, and that it is necessary they lay before us the Present state of their Condition & their Incomes and Expences.

Peticon from ye Mayr concrng ye measure Duty.

Their Petition is enterd next after this Consultation.

WEDNESDAY 25TH.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER

SAML: WILSON Secry

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To His Exccy: Sr: John Goldsborough Knt: Comry: Genll:
The Honble: Nathanl Higginson Esqr Presidt &ca Worpll Councill.
May it please Yor Honrs:

The Mayrs Peticon.

We the Mayor and Court of Aldrmen make bold humbly to address your: Honours in behalfe of this Corporation. That since by yor Honrs late Ordr this Corporation has lost the considerable Income of the measuring Duty, You would please to favour us with some other allowance that may be Equivolent to it. Otherwise we shall not be able to maintaine our great and unavoidable charge which att this tyme with the Interest we [pay] for our money taken up to build the Town Hall is more than fifty Pagodoes a month. We doe assure your Honours we have and shall be in all respects as frugall as possible may be. We are informed that the Licenceing of Publique Houses, and many other small Dutys is Comonly granted to all Corporations, which we humbly request your Honours would please to consider of and by some meanes (what your Honours think most convenient) grant us encouragement to goe on chearfully in the discharge of our Duty in promoteing the good and tranquillity of this Young Corporation, and we shall as in Duty bound ever Remayne

Yor Honrs most humble Servts
Jo: Styleman Mayr.

Fort St George
Janry 20th 169⅔.

To His Exccy: Sr: John Goldsborough Knt Comry: Genll & Supervisr of all affayres for the English nation in the East Indies. And the Honble Nathanl: Higginson President & Governr of ffort St George &ca Councill.

Report concerng the damadg'd Cloth from Vizagapatam.

In Obedience to a Late order of yor Excellcy &ca Councill directed to us the Subscribers hereof. We have according to the said Order, Examined, seene and viewed over all the damaged Cloth of the Rt: Honble: Compas: which arrived here the [*lacuna in original*] Instant on the Brigantine Gingerlee from Vizagapatam Peter Russell Master and is in manner following Vizt:

L GO: On: 3 — Of this mark and number are two Bales of Long cloth Ordnary white, both which contain but sixteen peeces good the other forty fower peeces rotten and many torne.

(L) G. O. No. 2. — Of this marke and number are two Bales dto containing but twenty-six peeces that are good and thirty fower peeces rotten and torne worse than the former.

(L) G. O. No O 2. — Of this marke is one Bale dto qt twenty one peeces good and nine peeces rotten.

(L) G. O. No. T 2. — Of this marke is one Bale dto qt eighteen peeces good, the other twelve peeces damadged, were sent to washing.

(L) G. B. No B — Of this marke is one Bale ditto, brown all damadged was sent to washing.

Wednesday 25th.

SAO. O. No. 3. — Of this marke is one Bale of Sallampores, Ordinary—white and contains forty peeces sound, or good; and forty peeces Rotten.

S:G:O: No. 3. — Of this marke and number are fower Bales of sail cloth white which contains but ninety peeces that are good—one hundred and thirty peeces rotten and torne and thirteen Peeces damadged sent to washing, wch makes up the whole quantity of the said fower Bales.

S:G:O: No. 2. — Of this marke are two Bales Ditto containing forty peeces good, and seaventy two peeces Rotten, and eight peeces damadged sent to washing.

S:G:O:O: No. 3. — Of this marke is one Bale ditto containing sixty peeces all rotten.

S:G:O: No. 3. — Of this marke are two Bales ditto containing fifty peeces rotten, five peeces good, and sixty five peeces damadged sent to washing, which makes the whole quantity of the two Bales being one hundred and twenty peeces.

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Of this Marke is one Bale containing five peeces that are good and twenty five Peeces damadged sent to washing being Long Cloth Ordinary white.— L.G.O. No. 2.

Of this marke is one Bale ditto containing twenty five Peeces rotten, and five peeces damadged sent to washing.— L.G.O. No. 3.

The above written is the true state and Condition of the Vizagapatam Cloth, viewed and thus reported by

WM: FFRASER.
ED: TREDCROFT.
MATT. MEAD.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCCY: SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT COMRY GENLL
THE HONBLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM HATSELL MR WILLIAM FRASER
MR JAMES WHEELER

FFRYDAY 27TH.

About three thousand of the Neck cloths, brought in by the Merchants on the Contract Anno 1688 for thirty five ℣ Pagodo and rejected by the Sorters as not agreeable to Musters: but being of the [muster req]uir'd by the Right Honourable Company were thought fitt to be Received according to their late orders upon proportionable abatements. President Yale and Councill did goe to the Godowne, and viewed the Neck cloths and made Musters according to the Order of Consultation the one and twentyth of Septembr last, and the said Musters were then charg'd by the Warehousekeepr and the Prices stated to be forty and fortyfive neck cloths Per Pagodo. though by reason of the Sampsons arriveall in few dayes after, there is no further Entry made by President Yale in his Consultations of what was then determined, but the Merchants not then comeing to deliver & sort the neck cloths, according to the agreemt nor would be perswaded to it, (though often urged) till now when 'tis allmost too late, to sort and Embale them for this ship. The Warehousekeeper is therefore Order'd to sort and embale the said neckcloths by the said Musters, if the doeing thereof does not obstruct the sorting and embaling of the Long cloth, & Salampores and for the neck cloths that shall be found Inferiour to the Said Musters, must make a further bargain with the Merchants.

The warehouse keepr to embale ye Neck Cloths.

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NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML WILSON, Secry

SATERDAY 28TH.

President Yale haveing last night sent the Comissary a Letter about the Jentues Oath. It was thought fit to desire him to come to us: and the Matter concluded on Judg Dolbens Report, of the 25th Instant to be read to him for answer to his said Letter in that matter which upon his appearing with us this morning was accordingly done. He then desyred that we would send to the Pagoda Braminy of Conjeverone, and take his opinion thereon.

But it is about fifty miles thither: nor was not thought fitt that any one single opinion (let it be how it would be) should be valued against so many opinions, and so long a Practice in this Place, as is asserted in the said Paper that was read to him, which stands enter'd the 25th Instant in Consultation. He

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Mr. Elihu Yale desires Mr. ffraser may sweare to his accts.

desyred likewise that Mr William ffraser may sweare to his accounts of Paymasters Expences, about making the Mud Poynts, and workes about the Black Towne, and by what authority and order he made those disbursements. Also that Mr John Cheneys Executors may prove by what authority that part of the same was done by Mr John Cheney before his Death: both their accts: being produced under their hands.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCCY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL
THE HONBLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

MONDAY 30TH.

The Sea Customr to entr orders in a Register. & ye name of ships etc. to be entrd.

The Sea Customer is order'd to take care that the orders signed by the Warehousekeeper for unlading or Lading Goods, on board the Right Honble: Companys Ships, be entered in a Register to be kept for that purpose, with the marks and numbers of ye parcells and number of the Mussula.

That at the arriveall of every Boat, ship, and Vessell, the Customer cause the name of the Boat, ship or vessell to be enterd in a book by way of Lyst, to be numbered in order as they arive, and at the same tyme, sett down the Anchorage payable in the Respective Collumn of anchorage Duty: and at the end of the month cast up the account, and compare the same with the accts: render'd by the anchorage Conocoply.

Mr Wheeler pd 282 Pagds.

Mr James Wheeler paid into the Right Honble: Companys Cash two hundred eighty two Pagodoes and three Cash upon account of Land Custome.

That 1000 Pagds be pd Mr Hatsell.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodoes be pay'd to Mr William Hatsell for so much payd by Somya Cuddalore Mercht: into the Right Honourable Companys Cash at ffort St David on their Bill drawne the twenty third Instant.

All ships yt take passes pay Tonnage.

It is hereby orderd that all ships that take Passes shall pay the Tonnage at ten ffannams ℔ Ton, or one Current Rupee in Specie.

Mr Thompson hath leave to goe to Engld.

Mr William Thompson one of the Right Honourable Company's ffactors, lately arrived on the Berkeley Castle, Petitioning to be clear'd from his Engagement to his Masters the Company, which we doe not think fitt to doe, But orderd that he may have leave to returne upon the Company's ship Berkeley Castle paying fifty six Pagodoes Permission to the Right Honourable Companys Cash, for his comeing out of England and returning.

Land Customers accts read.

Mr James Wheeler read the Land Custome accounts for the months of Octobr: Novembr and December whereof the Perticulars follow. Vizt for ye month of

	PA : FA : CA.	PA : FA : CA.
Octobr.—		
To Land Custome this month Received ...	5 : 07 : 2	
Choultrey Custome	112 : 29 : 2	
Ruby Brokers	4 : 13 : —	
	122 : 13 : 4	120 : 1 : 4
Deduct charges this month	2 : 12 : —	
Novembr		
To Land Custome this month Recd	7 : 12 : 2	
Choultrey Customes	72 : 5 : 5	
Ruby Brokers	6 : 25 : 2	
	86 : 7 : 3	84 : 26 : 3
December Deduct Charges this month ..	1 : 17 : —	
To Land Custome this month Recd	10 : 22 : 64	
Choultrey Custome	182 : 28 : 5	198 : 16 : 3
Ruby Brokers	5 : 1 : 58	

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Paymastrs acotts Read.

Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymasters accouts: were Read and Past for the months of October, November and December Vizt.

ffor the month of		Totall of each acctt. PA : FA : CA	PA : FA : CA.
October.	Charges Garryson	832 : 13 : —	
	Charges Generall	294 : 31 : —	
	Charges Merchandize	28 : 30 : —	
	Charges Cattle	10 : 14 : —	1505 : 8 : —
	Charges Extraordinary	5 : — : —	
	ffortifications and Repayrs ...	24 : 33 : —	
	Charges Dyett	308 : 31 : —	
November.	Charges Garryson	921 : 27 : —	
	Charges Generall	298 : 32 : —	
	Charges Cattle	19 : — : —	
	Charges Merchandize	109 : 34 : —	
	ffort St. David	5 : — : —	1756 : 9 : —
	Charges Dyett	363 : 34 : —	
	ffortifications & Repayrs	32 : 26 : —	
	Charges Extraordinry	5 : — : —	
Decembr.	Charges Garryson	939 : 8 : —	
	Charges Generall	979 : 23 : —	
	Charges Merchandize	8 : 4 : —	
	Charges Cattle	7 : — : —	
	Charges Dyett	483 : 10 , —	
	ffortification and Repayrs ...	24 : 30 : —	1892 : 20 : ½
	ffactors Provisions	11 : 9 : —	
	Charges Extraordinary	5 : 16 : ½	
	West Coast...	7 : 20 : —	
	Acctt : Presents	26 : 8 : —	

That ye Paymr pay ye Doctrs Bills.

Orderd that the Paymaster pay the Doctors Bills for Drugs bought in the Buzar comencing the first of March last ending the last of November 1692 amounting to Pagodoes fifty Six Pago ten fanams.

Payable for Chayrs &ca.

He is likewise orderd to Pay a Bill for Chayrs, Cots, Cloths, and other necessarys, for the use of sick men in the Hospitall amounting to Pagodoes 27 : 02 : whereof the Church hath Pay'd ten Pagods towards it: Soe remay'ns to be Pay'd Pagodoes 17 : 02.

That 1000 Pagds be pd Mr. Wright.

Orderd that One thousand Pagodoes be pay'd Mr Wright Paymaster, towards defraying the Charges of ye Garryson.

advance ye paymr the Brick makrs 200 Pagods.

Order'd that the Paymaster advance to the Brick Makrs: two hundred Pagodoes to enable them to carry on their Contract.

Ranga Chittee to give positive answr.

Ranga Chittee was sent for, and the Ballance due for Corrall sold him, demanded. He giving uncertain answr: Tis orderd that on Thursday next he give his Positive answr.

Assay of ffanams from ffort St. David.

The President Reports the Assay of the five ffort St David ffannams Received by their Generall Dated the 24th of Novembr: which the Assay master makes to be fower and an halfe.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML WILSON Secry.

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Terrills report of ye state of ye warr.

Lewis Terrill one of the Soldiers that went up with Emaun Cooley six months since to serve Zulphaker Cawn in the Seige of Chingey, returning, giveth this account. That two months since Zulphaker Cawn orderd to splitt all their great Guns, and the brass Guns that were sent from hence for Presents: which he supposes was occasion'd by the Mogulls Death. Whereof he heard Reports that at the same tyme Cawn Bux attempting to goe over to Ram[raj], was siezed by Zulphaker Cawn, and ever since kept Prisoner. That the Camp being reduced to extreame want of Provisions for men and Cattle, soe that if they had stay'd longer they would have been starved. They made a Truce with Ramarajah for twenty fower hours, in which tyme Zulphaker Cawn removed to Wanderwas, but for want of Camels and Oxen was forced to leave much of their Baggage behinde, to the discretion of the Morattos; which gave occasion to the Report that a Peace was made. Whereas the Morattos Army watches & follows the motion of the Mogulls Army; so that the Issue of the Warr remayn's very uncertaine.

a Genll from ffort St. David.

This day received a Genll from ffort St David and a Letter from Vizagapatam.

a Genll sent thithr.

This day sent a Generall to ffort St: David and another to Vizagapatam.

31.

FEBRUARY 1ST. The Madapollum from Bengall.

This day arrived the Right Honourable Company's Ship the Madapollum from Bengall with a Generall Dated the tenth of January, giveing account of Agent Charnocks Death.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 2ND.

HIS EXCCY: SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE; NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Pagods $62\frac{1}{2}$ pd Capt: Hyde wch he supplyed Capt Price.

Captain Samuel Hyde Comander of the Berkeley Castle, having produc'd Captn: William Price his Receipt for one hundred Dollers, supplyed him with at the Cape, towards defraying the Charges of saveing and packing the Goods belonging to the Right Honourable Company, gott out of the Orange. It is Orderd that the said bill be paid Vizt ten Pagodo's for every sixteen dollers, which is sixty two Pagodos and an halfe.

Goods from ye [ ] Madapollum to be brott ashoare.

Upon peruseall of the Invoyce of Stores Laden in Bengall on the Madapollum. We think fitt that the following Goods be brought ashoare, and the rest continu'd on Board for the West Coast Vizt.

Two hundred Bags of Boout[*sic*].
Three Chests of Candles.
Ffower Butts of Arrac the most defective Cask.
Eighty Bags of Wheat.
Ninety three Bales of Shuger.

& ye Coopr to repickle the Porke etc.

And that the Cooper be sent on Board to examine, and repickle (if there be occasion) the Porke and Beefe and that the seaventy eight Jarrs of Bisket, be shifted into drye Caske, if procureable to make more roome.

Timbrs bot for ffort St. David.

There being occasion for many Timbers at ffort St David and a Boat comeing into this Road with forty one thicke Madapollum Timbers for sale, the Carpenter was sent on board [to] view them. And it is agreed with the owner

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thereof to pay him three and a half Pagodoes ℔ Timber is One hundred forty three Pagodoes eighteen ffanams, and he is to carry the Timbers to Fort St David on the Same Boat ffreight free.

Captain Burton offers to undertake to cleare the Road this season on the following Terms Viz.t. Captn Burtons proposall to cleare the Road.

That all Gunns, Anchors, Wrecks, or Goods found, and taken by him out of the Road, shall at bringing ashoare be deliverd into the Sea Custome Godown, and an acct : thereof be kept by the Sea Customer, to be sold at Publique Outcry, when the season is past. The one halfe of the Produce to be paid to the Right Honourable Company, and the other half to be paid to the said Henry Burton. He paying Charges of Catamarans Divers, Ropes, Cooleys, and all other Charges whatsoever, out of the produce of his halfe part, and this order doth extend to all Anchors. Guns. Wrecks, or Goods heretofore lost ; except Such as the Owners shall within five dayes give notice of, and prove to the Sea Custome[r] and Captain Burton to have been lost within a yeare from the date hereof. In which case the owner is to receive one third, the Company one third for Salvage, and the remayning one third is to be pay'd Captain Burton for all Charges. But if the Sd: Burton shall either at ye request of ye owners, or accidentally, in Sweeping take up any anchors, Guns or Goods, which shall be hereafter lost in the Road with Buys fastned to them, the same shall be deliverd to the owner paying onely the contracted, or a reasonable rate for ye Charges of taking up and ye said Burton, may for the use of himself &ca Owners of Ship Corporation, take ye Guns, anchors, and wreck of ship Corporation without accounting for yee same to any other than the Owners. Vizt so much as shall be taken up aud Sav'd this Season.

J. GOLDBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION SATERDAY 4TH.

Present

HIS EXCCY : SR : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENLL :
THE HONBLE : NATHANL : HIGGINSON ESQR : PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR : JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Yesterday Rangia Chitty payd into the Right Honble: Company's Cash fiveteen hundred Pagodoes, an account of Corra[ll] and it is orderd on his Request, that three Chests of Corrall be deliver'd to him. Rangia Chitty p 1500 Pagods.

The Brigantine being Ariv'd from ffort St David wth Sixty Bales of long Cloth Ordinary, and thirty of Sallampores, the Warehousekeeper is ordered to lade the same, on Board the Berkeley Castle, Bringing one Bale of each sort ashoare to be examined by their Musters. Bales to be lade on ye Berkly Castle.

Orderd that thirteen hundred Pagodoes be payd as money Lent, to the merchants ; which they are to repay in ffort St David. 1300 Pagods to be sent to Merts.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT. HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAML WILSON Secry.

Monday 6th

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Att a Consultation

Present

His Exc^cy ; S^r : John Goldsborough Kn^t ; Com^ry : Gen^ll :
The Honble Nathaniel Esqr Presid^t :
John Dolben Esqr Judg Advocate
Mr William Fraser Mr William Hatsell
Mr James Wheeler.

150 Pagds to be pd ye Washermen.

Orderd that one hundred and fifty Pagodoes be advanc'd and pay'd to Raggina &c^a : Washermen on account of cureing the Right Honourable Companys Cloth.

Haveing Received a Petition from the Corporation Setting forth that the streets of the Whyte Towne were to be Paved by an Order of the late Governour Yale and Councill that when they were about half done they desired leave to rayse a Tax among the Inhabitants for Payment thereof: wch the late Governour would not permit so that a stop hath been put to that good worke, and is the cause the other halfe is yet undonne ; which they now request leave to finish.

Corporation to [set] its rates on houses for paving ye streets.

It is therefore orderd that they make a Rate on each house for the Payment of the Charge thereof, lay and it before us for farther Consideration.

Ord^rd Mr Holcomb goe to Bencoolen.

The Posture of the Right Honourable Companys Affayres at Bencoolen on the West Coast of Sumatra being under consideracon : and the Comissary's affayres here, no wayes permitting him of thinking to leave this Place at present. It is resolved that some body must be sent as a Super Intend w^th : Power, and good Instructions to settle and regulate all Affayres and accounts of that Place, and Mr John Pitt was offer'd to be sent thereon, now on the Madapollum: But he desyred to be excused as having a ffamily here, and envolved in M^r : [Allfords] Estate even as he had donne last yeare, refuseing then to goe to Vizagapatam, to examine Mr Dubois's ffrauds &c^a : which was a very troublesome worke and accepted by Mr Simon Holcombe and performed by his care and diligence to great satisffaction ; as may be seene in the account thereof sent home by the Dorothy. Who now againe being discours'd in this Matter rather than the Right Honourable Companys affayrs should suffer in those Parts ; did readyly submit himself to our directions : Though we know it is much to the Prejudice of his own Perticular Affayres ; and hope our Right Honourable Masters will please to understand it soe. Whereupon it was ordr'd that he be apoyntd to goe thither on the Madapollum and to depart hence in fiveteen dayes and dureing his aboad on that Coast to be Deputy Governour of Yorke ffort and Cheife, and Supervisour of all the Right Honourable Companys affayrs there, and in all other Places on the West Coast of Sumatra, and to Proceed in all their Councills, and regulate all things according to our Instructions, which shall be given him to that purpose, and in Consideration of Mr John Pitts twice refuseall. It is ordered that Mr Symon Hollcombe shall Precede him in standing in the Right Honourable Companys service.

Mr Hollcombe to preceed Mr Pitt.

Concerg sendg ye Berkeley Castle to Engl^d

Haveing taken into Consideration, and Debated, Whether to send the Berkeley Castle, as twas formerly agreed to Bengall, or directly for Europe. We have proceeded to a Resolution therein upon the following Considerations. Viz^t : Impr^s : Reports of the Dutch ffleet on the Island of Ceilone and certain advice of ten Dutch men of Warr in Bengall, watching the motion of the ffrench ships, doe make us reasonably conclude the ffrench ships will not come to Bengall nor this Coast this season, and consequently the Berkeley Castle will run no hazard in lying in this Road : and allso ships doe not usually come in the month of ffebruary from Surrat to this Coast.

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2dly. The Resolution of sending the Berkley Castle to Bengall we grounded on these two Reasons, first, there did not then appeare a prospect of Lading her more than half full from hence. 2dly. That what we could Lade on her here would help to fill up a ship in Bengall; by which meanes twas hop'd that two might be dispatch'd from thence. But there doth now appeare a very good prospect of Lading her full from hence, before the Expiration of this month, with the Right Honourable Companys, and Permissive Goods, and the last Generall from Bengall Dated the 11th: of January doth advise that the salt Petre had been stop'd at Patna, noue come: but that it was then onely upon the way: and that they expect to dispatch but one ship besides the Tonqueen Merchant in March next, and Captain Dorrells Perticuler Letter to the Comisarry General dated the 11th: January doth advise, that he is doubtfull upon the Agents Death whether he shall be dispatch'd so soone: and if it should so happen the Berkeley Castle goeing down to Bengall would proove no convenience to the Dispatch of the other ships.

3dly. If we send the Berkeley Castle away for Bengall she must be dispatch'd in ten dayes, and there will be two or three hundred Bales of Coast Goods, left behinde, which will now goe on the Berkeley Castle, if she be dispatch'd directly from hence for Europe, whereas otherwise we shall not be able to send them till next yeare.

4thly. If the Barkeley Castle be dispatch'd for Europe. The Tonnage of a ship of Six hundred and fifty Tons is thereby provided for the Demurage saved and a Conveyance found for our advices to the Right Honourable Company.

It is therefore Resolved that the ship Barkeley Castle be sent home directly for Europe and Mr Alverez having laden Tootanague and Pepper intended to Bengall, doth in Complyance with this our Resolution consent, that we may unlade the Tootenague againe, and that the Pepper being about three hundred seaventy-Eight Candy be continued upon the ship Consigned to the Right Honourable Company on their Terms mentioned in their Generll Dated the 25th: Janry: 168⅞ ℘ Defence, which we think convenient to admit of to secure a full Lading for the Ship and for the same Reason. It is agreed that any other Person may Lade more on the same Termes, and allso any sorts of Bengall or China Goods on the Right Honourable Companys Termes of Permissive Trade.

Resolvd ye Berkly Castle to goe directly for Europe. Tootenague to be unladen. ye pepper continu'd

And it is order'd that this day, a Bill be sett upon the Sea gate, to give publique notice that those who are so minded may Lade Permissive Bengall, and China Goods; who are to bring in their Lysts and Invoyces upon which the Warehouse keeper may give an Order for receiving them on Board, having due regard to reserve roome enough for the Right Honourable Company's Goods; for which Proportion he is to make a computation of the Goods for which he gives an order and Mr Hatsell is ordered to buy all the fine Petre that Mr Styleman hath at eight Pagodoes ℘ Candy. And the Warehousekeepr is to permit Captn Hyde to put out of his ships on board of the fower Brokrs. so many of the Rt Honble Compas Bales as shall be convenient to make roome for the Shifting his ship and then to take them in againe.

Permission to send Bengall or China Goods a bill to be set up yt ye Berkly Castle goes for Engld. Mr. Hatsell to buy Mr. Stilemans Petre.

J. Goldsborough.	Will: Fraser.
Nat. Higginson.	Wm. Hatsell.
Jo: Dolben.	James Wheeler

Saml Wilson Secry.

Att a Consultation

Present

His Excy: Sr: John Goldsborough Knt: Comry: Genll:
The Honble Nathanl, Higginson Esqr President
John Dolben Esqr Judg Advocate
Mr William ffraser Mr William Hatsell.
Mr James Wheeler.

The Town Brokers having been laid aside in October 1683 by the late President, who brought in a monthly [profit to the] Right Honourable Company,

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TUESDAY [7TH] — by the halfe of their Commission and there being: many merchants now comeing from the Camp to buy Provisions and Goods. It is thought a convenient tyme to renew the accustomary order: and it is agreed that Brannedas, Gonnarapao, Enka, Cassana, Virago, Counapa Guereder be the six head Brokers to be respon-

Town Brokers renewd.

to give acctt in ye Choultry dayly.

sible for the rest employed by them, who are all to give a true account dayly in the Choultrey, and two Conocopleys are appoynted to receive their accounts: and the Choultrey Conocopleys are to give no Chittees for Goods passing out of Towne, without the consent of one of them. The said six Brok[rs] to pay a ffyne one hundred Pagodoes. Viz[t]: fifty Pagodoes this month and fifty Pagodoes in the month of May next, to be received by the Land Customer, and they to be Tasherift with a peece of Perpetuanas.

to pay a fine of 100 pagds.

Mr. Bowdler pmitted to goe to Engld.

Ordered that William Bowdler having served his time according to Indentures, be permitted (upon his Petition) to goe home to England paying to the Right Honourable Company's Cash twenty six Pagodas, and to write home about him he having a desire to returne hither.

Payg. 26 pagds.

James Lalique Discharged.

James Lalique having served the Right Honourable Company in the Garryson ever since the five-teenth of October 1687 and desyring to be discharged: It is hereby ordered that accordingly he be discharged.

Russell & Nuby to be prosecuted on accon of 500 Pags.

Order'd that the Attourney Gen[ll], proceed against Peter Russell and Mathew Nuby, the Master and Mate of the Brigantine lately come from Vizagapatam, in an action of five hundred Pagodo's for damadge sustained by the Right Honourable Company in their Goods from thence.

J: GOLDSBOROUGH
NAT: HIGGINSON:
J: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
[WILL: HATSELL.]
SAML WILSON Sec[ry]. JAMES WHEELER.

WEDNESDAY 8TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC[CY]: S[R]: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN[T]: COM[RY]: GEN[LL]:
THE HON[BLE] NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T]
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUGD ADVOCATE
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER M[R] WILLIAM HATSELL
M[R] JAMES WHEELER.

This day M[r]: Hollcombe declared his readyness to goe to Bencoolen, and serve our Right Honourable Masters the best he could, as appoynted. But examining into his Perticuler affayr's he found them in such Disorder that if he should dye in the Voyage, his ffamily would be ruined, because none but himself, could collect them together. Therefore entreated leave to be spared a little, and by the next ship he would willingly proceed, and we Considering he is a great Trader, and what he alleadges is true and his Quallifications for that purpose before others;

have consented thereunto. That when he goes it may be with a cheerful minde.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
SAML WILSON Secry. JAMES WHEELER.

THURSDAY 9TH.

This day ariv'd a Portuguese Vessell from Atcheen. Master [*lacuna in original.*]

And Likewise the [*lacuna in the original*] Joseph Child Comandr: from ffort St David.

Any Dispatch'd the Brigantine Gingerlee Wm : Martine Master for Bengall with a Genll : to Vizagapatam with an Inclos'd Paper containing severall Querys to [be] examin'd relating to the Right Honble : Company and Mr : Dubois [with] orders to the Captain to receive on Board what Bales [. . .] Parcell delivers him together with Instructions to deliver them to Captain Dorrel or Captain Bromwell he that's first Bound for England, with an order to them, or either of them to receive them on board.

Per said Brigantine we sent a Packet to [. . .] ffrancis Ellis Esqr agent at Bengall qt : as foll. Viz :

Imps A Generall.
2 : An atachment of Judg Dolbens.
3 Translate of a Letter from Meerza.
4 Mr Da Dostas request.
5 Mr Alvarez and Compa request.
6 Copy of a Letter to Agent Charnock from ye Comry.
7 The Copy of the Armenians Bill of Lading.
8 A Lyst of the Brigantines Stores & wages due.

FFRYDAY 10TH.

A Cowle : Granted by his Excey : Sr : John Goldsborough Knt : Comry ; Genll : The Honble : Nathaniel Higginson Esqr : Presidt : &ca Councill. To Boannedas. Gonnarapao, Enka, Cassana, Virago, Counapa Guereder.

A Cawle to ye Brokers.

Having had severall Complaints of Injuryes donne to buyers and sellers and especially strangers by unlycenc'd Brokers of this Place for Prevention thereof for the future, & for the better promotion of Trade, and encouragement of merchants. We doe appoyn't Boannadas, Gonnarapao, Enka, Cassana, Virago, Gounapa Guereder (they paying to the Right Honourable Company one hundred Pagodoes for this Cowle) to be the onely Brokers in this Citty of Madrass, and the Libertyes thereof; and they are to take care, that neither Buyer nor seller who employ them be abused or wronged in the Price Currant of Comodity's or their Weights or Measures. In consideration whereof there are to receive one ℘ Cent & no more Brckeridg of the person who employ's them to buy or sell. Whereof one half shall be by them duyly pay'd into the Land Customer for the Right Honble Company's account. The other half to be divided eaqually among the said six Brokers. And this Cowle to continue for their Lives, if no misdemeanour or Injustice be committed by them and that such Person that so offends shall forfeit the sum̃e of one hundred Pagodoes to the Right Honourable Company, and be for ever turn'd out of his Employment, and the Towne. And if the said [six brokers] shall see cause to employ other Brokers under them, thr [y are] to be jointly answerable for the Misdemeanour of such [person] as they so Employ.

Raggia Chitte pd 3,000 Pagds

This day Raggia Chittee pd into the Right Honoble : Company's Cash Uhree thousand Pagodoes.

This day according to ordr : was pay'd One thousand Pagodos to Mr Thoms : Wright Provisionall Paymaster, towards defraying the Charges of the Garryson.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^CY S^R JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSN OESQ^R PRESID^T:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDG ADVOCATE
M^R: WILLIAM FRASER M^R: WILLIAM HATSELL
M^R: JAMES WHEELER.

SATERDAY, 11TH. M^r: Vicessimus Griffith having been long sick, & now uncapable of performing the Office of Steward.

Mr. King to be Pro: Steward. Orderd that M^r: Edward King be Provisionall Steward.

Sherar leave to send his daughtr [in law] to Engl^d. M^r: Charles Sherar request leave to send his Daughter-in-Law Philadelphia Lashly, and Maria a Slave woman for England on the Berkeley Castle. Order'd that he paying fifty two Pagodo's to the Right Honourable Companys Cash, may have leave for soe doeing.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

[SAML] WILSON SEC^RY

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^CY: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDG ADVOCATE
M^R: WILLIAM FRASER M^R: WILLIAM HATSELL
M^R: JAMES WHEELER.

MONDAY 13TH. The long cloth and Sallampores which were turn'd out by the Sorters, having been viewd, and an abatement concidered of, they are found to be so uneaqaull in their severall quallitys that they are not to be sorted by any musters if it were convenient to make one. In one and the same peece, one part being good and the other bad, and among the Long cloth there appears to be a quantity of it, of very fine threads, allmost equall to N°. 3 but so thin that tis to be questioned whether it may reckon'd as N^o: 1 and many Peeces of it are thought to be unfit for an Europe Market. Wherefore the Warehousekeeper &c^a: Sorters are order'd, to sort it againe, and to make three severall Sorts if they see occasion Viz^t. In the Long cloth such as comes nearest N^o: 1 and such as is unfit for an Europe market and a middle Sort and the like in sallampores and to observe the same Method in the Long cloths and sallampores that remayne to be sorted and whon [. . .] soe distinguished to put an eaquall vallue upon them; [. . .] the Right Honourable Company and the Merchants.

The ware housekeepr to sort Ye sallampores and Long cloth againe.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAM^L WILSON SEC^RY.

This day we Received a Lett^r: from Phillip Naden with Sev^ll; Gentue Letters.

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TUESDAY 14TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^CY: S^R: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R: JUDG ADVOCATE
M^R: WILLIAM FRASER M^R: WILLIAM HATSELL
M^R: JAMES WHEELER.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodoes be pay'd to Mr William ffraser to buy Rupees according to an order of Consultation of the third of December last. Pagds 1000 to be pd Mr. ffrasr to buy Rupees.

Order'd that the Warehouse Keep^r: take care that the Tutenage be unladed from the Berkeley Castle and that he send it to Mr Alvarez Godowne. & ye warehs keeper to cause ye Tentage to be unladed from ye Berkeley Castle.

Order'd that three hundred Pagodoes be pay'd Mr Pitt Provisionall Store-keeper towards defraying the Charges of Ship Madapollum. Pagds 300 be pd. Mr. Pitt.

M^r. William ffraser pay'd into the Right Honourable Companys Cash five hundred Pagodoes on acc^tt: of Goods sold. Mr. ffraser pd. 500 Pagds.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

SAM^L: WILSON Sec^ry.

16 This day arrived the Ship Morning Starr from China Armigar: Goslyn Comander: I brot two Lett^rs from Mr Blackmore at Mallacca. ye Morng Star from China.

This day Rangia Chittee pay'd into the Right Honourable Company's Cash in farther part of payment for Corrall fower thousand Pagodoes. Rangia Chitte pd. 4000 Pags.

SATERDAY 18.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXC^CY: S^R: JOHN GOLDBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE: NATHANIEL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDG ADVOCATE
M^R. WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

M^r: Gullock one of the Right Honourable Company's ffactor's come out this yeare on the Berkeley Castle, Petitions to have leave to goe a Voyage into the south sea to some of the Eastern Islands, It is order'd that he pay twenty Pag^ds into ye R^t: Honble: Comp^as: cash for what they have paid the owners of the Berkeley Castle for his Passage out of England and Mr Gullocks sallary nor time of service shall not goe on whilest he is thus on his voyage. Mr. Gullocks petition granted.

Mr John Hinchman a writer under Mr Thomas Gray late Sea Custom^r deceased haveing received Pag^s: 743: 26: fa. 90 ca: of the Rt Honble Comp^as money for sea Custome dureing Mr. Alfords being Received more then he hath accounted to Mr Alford for, and hath this day paid into the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: Mr. Hinchman [pd] Pa 208. 4: 10: on actt. Sea

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The attorney Genll orderd. to proceed against Mr Alfords Trustees.

Cash Pags 208: 10: whereby there yet remaines due from Mr Alford Pags 535: 22: 80: wch: sume the Attorney Genll: is ordered to demand of the said Mr Henry Alfords Executrs or trustees in whose hands the estate of Mr Alford doth remaine, and in case of refusall he is ordered to proceed against them in the Admiralty Court for the same.

Mr. Bowdler permitted to goe home.

Mr William Bowdler paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pagds: 20: permission of Passage to England on ye: Berkeley Castle.

Mr. Meverill made provisoll. receivr.

Ordered that Mr John Meverill be Provisionall Receivr of the Sea Customes, Mr Snell being soe ill that he is not able to officiate that Place for the Present.

Examinacon Viza. matters orderd to be sent home.

After many days spent in the Examination of the Vizagapatam matters, the frauds of Mr. Daniel Dubois is brought to this Issue, that as the matter now Stands he is Indebted to the Rt Honble Company Pagds 1710: 26: fa. wch: wth: interest for two yeares whilest the money can be brought from England, at 12 ℘ Cent ℘annum the Interest of Vizagapatam, and 10 ℘ cent insurance outward the Commissary hath taken his bond to the Rt. Honble: Company for £. 1,050: s. 1: d 3: to ly in his hand as security untill severll: objections made by Mr: Dubois appointed to be Examined by the Cheife and Councell at Vizagapatam be answered, and then with such alterations as shall appear just shall be sent for England, and the case as it now stands is to be sent by the Berkeley Castle to the Rt: Honbls: Company.

Mr. ffocquet gives bond for [ ] 266: s 15: d 10: to be sent home.

Mr ffocquett owns he tooke Broad cloth & Perpetuanoes of Mr. Dubois Cheife of Vizagapatam and sent to Bengall wch was lost goeing up Hugly River, and he is indebted to the Rt Honble Company for the same Pagds. 396: fa. 8: ca. 5: which with two yeares Interest at 12 ℘ cent and 10 ℘ cent outward Bound he hath given us a Bond for the whole Pagds 266: s 15: c 10: wch Bond wth his acct is orderd to be now sent home to the Rt: Honble: Company to be recovered of his securities in England.

Chapman refuses to give bond.

Mr Chapmans acct: from Vizagapatam makes him Debtor to the Rt: Honble: Company Pagds 701: 17: 3 ca: wch he refuses to give Bond for, but saith that Mr Dubois hath wrong chargd him, and that he ows nothing, but desires if may be re-Examind which is ordered to be done by the Cheife &ca at Vizagapatam and he himselfe because he will not give Bond to ly in the Commissary's hand for the Rt Honble: Comps: security while the matter is re Examined, Chuses rather to ly in Prison under an arrest for the money.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

Ens: Hancois commission signd.

His Excellency signd a Commission to William Hancois to be Ensigne of the first Company in the roome of William Bowdler.

Mr. Alvarez ord'd for unlading Tutenag.

Mr Alvarez gave the following order to Mr: ffraser Warehousekeepr for unlading his Tutenague from the Berkeley Castle.

Mr Fraser Sr: the ship, Berkeley Castle being now ordered directly for England I desire you to give the Capt: an order to bring our Tutenague ashore wch we designd for Bengall, and my people shall be ready to receive it in [. . .]

Sr: your humble Bro.

16 ffebruary 169⅔ Alvars Da [. . .] &ca Compa

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ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 20TH

Present

HIS EXO^CY : S^R : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T : COM^BY : GEN^LL :
THE HON^BLE : NATH : HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDG ADVOCATE
MR W^M FFRASER M^R W^M : HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordered that the Cowle for ffarming the Retaileing of tobacco and Ganjee be entred next after this Consultation and that the order to be Published in the Citty this day to give a moneths notice of the Intention to Let the same to ffarme, (that none may be surprised, or plead Ignorance) be published accordingly, and set up in the severall native Languages att the Choultry: and Entred next after the Cowle the ten farmers are to be Tashar'eefd w^th : Perpetuanoes ordn^ry : the two Cheife persons w^th : 2½ yards, and the other eight each 2 yards. [A Cowle] for the farming tobacoo and Ganja be Publisd. in severall Languages.

Ordered that M^r : Wilson the Present Secretary doe deliver up all Books & papers &c^a : by list to M^r : ffrancis Betts, who is to receive them by list, and keep the same for use when occasion shall require, and M^r : Betts is to take upon him the office of Secretary, and M^r : Thom^s Wigmore is appointed to be his assistant that he may attend the Genr^ll : Books he is now about, and M^r : Wilson is appointed to goe upon the Madapollum Second to Bencoolen w^th : Mr John Vere, who came out now a writer in the Berkeley Castle for that Place, and in regard there wants a supply of more writers there, It is Concluded to entertaine Robert Hinderson & David Davies two of the Soldiers of this Garrison at 20£ ℔ annum as other writers there have and for the present take theire own Bonds untill the R^t : Honble : Comp^as : pleasure shall be known therein, and theire freinds offer Security for them in England they being good Penmen, and we hope will appeare well Qualified for ye same, and in [regard Mr Samuel Wilson & M^r] John Vere have been some [. . .] time here before conveyance offered for the West Coast [. . .] for theire Encouragement have allowed theire sallaries to Commence at theire arrivall here on the Berkeley Castle w^ch : [. . .] on the 24th of November Last, and to be paid accordingly from that time to this. Mr Wilson to deliver up all the Books & Paprs to Mr Betts. Mr Wilson to goe upon ye Maddap: second to Bencoolen. Robt: Hinderson & Dad Davis 2 soldiers made writers.

Ordered that Gilihs Demina the person entertain'd in October last to be a Malloy and Java Interpreter at Bencoolen be allowed 10 : Dollers ℔mens : sallary from his arrivall there he giving bond to serve the R^t : Honble: Company four yeares and to take place next to the ffactors, and because the persons not goeing thither are most of them in want of money to supply themselves w^th : necessaries. It is ordered that these ffollowing summ be advanc't to them, to be accounted as part of theire sallary Viz^t : John Vere, Robert Hinderson and David Davies, twenty Pag^ds : each, and to Gilhis Demina thirty Pag^ds : Bencoolen Interpretr allowed 10 Doller ℔mensm. Vere: Hinderson & Davis 20 Pags each advance & the Mallay Inter Pags: 30.

Ordered that Edward Taylor have a Commission as Ensigne and proceed to Bencoolen on the Madapollum w^th : ten or twelve Soldiers who offer theire service there whereof Serjeant Will [. . .] to be one. And that the Paymaster doe advance them, besides their Pay for the month of ffebruary, two months pay for ye Provision of necessary's and alsoe to advance in like mañer to two or three of the Gunroome Crew who are willing to goe. Edw Taylor Coms: as Ensigne. Solds : 2 months pay advancet.

Ordered that Mr John Butterfeild at Present Second at Bencoolen, doe if Mr Fleetwood and Mr Wilson shall be then liveing, returne hither by the first opportunity, It being though[t] of [a]ll Expedient to be informed of the Stato of affaires there before Mr Holcombe goes. Mr Butterfeild ordered to come thither.

This day M^r : Joseph Lister sign'd his Indentures & Bond to the R^t : Honble : Company as ffactor, to Commence from the time of his writership being expired. Mr Lister sign'd his Indenteres & Bond

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Mr Pitt read his accots: Stores.

Mr John Pitt Provisionall Storekeeper, his accots: were read and past Errors Excepted for the moneths of Octobr and November.

Mr Mildmay read his accots Ld Customers.

Mr Mathew Mildmay Provisionall Land Customer paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 230: his accounts for the month of January were read and past in Consultation Errors except[ed] and are as follows Vizt.

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
To Land Custome	15:	19:	67
To Choultry Custome	192:	9:	55
To Ruby Brokers	2:	27:	53
Beetle leafe rentrs: for 20 days	27:	28:	—
	238:	13:	15:

Mr Wheeler [read] his account [Sea Customer].

Mr Wheeler Sea Customer his accots: for the month of December were read and past in Consultation Errors Excepted and are as follows Vizt.

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
To Sea Custome of Goods Imported & Exported this month	1179:	6:	48
To Cash Anchorage of one Shipp	3:	—:	—
	1182:	6:	48:

Mr ffraser read his accots: warehouse.

Mr William Fraser Warehousekeeper his accots: for ye months of November and December were read and past Errors Excepted.

J. Goldsborough.
Nat: Higginson.
Jo: Dolben.
Will: Fraser.
Wm: Hatsell.
James Wheeler.

[Cowle] for ffarming tobacco & Ganjee.

Severall Chittees and other shopkeepers of Madrass haveing made what private gain they please on the retailing tobacco and Ganjee, and finding it may be fittly applyed to helpe support the Government and Charges of the Garrison. It is ordered and agreed that Upallapa Narando, Eram Raz, Curagaila Paupia, Bundur Baulu, Punjele Tango Veraugu Pilla, Naungalu Peria, Paupe Redde Verapa, Chema Vurte, Vincaputte Danure Ramana, shall have full power to supply the [shopkeepers and retailers] of all the Citty of Madrass and [Libertyes thereof with tobacco] either of this Countrey Manilla or Persia and Ganjee at such rates as now it is and [hath] been usually supply'd at, and as good in each kind as it used to be, and they soe doeing it Shall not be lawfull for any Shopkeeper or other person whatsoever to buy for the retaile trade of any other person but them, or such as they allowe of and appoint for that purpose, nor for any Person whatsoever to [sell] any of those two Commodities by retaile, but such as buy ye [same] of the afore said Persons, and that all Persons offending therein shall for every fanams worth soe bought or sold, for the retailing be fined one Pagda: to be paid by the offender into the Ch[oultrey] whereof one third part shall be paid to the Informer, but if [they] be strangers they shall be excused for the first fault onely, [and] after Pay as other folkes, and if the Said Upallapu, Narandu Curugailu Papia, and the rest of their Partners above nam'd Shall at any time in the yeare, sell either tobacco or Ganjee dearer then the Justices of the Choultrey shall think fitt, and Complaint thereof be made to them, they shall be bound [to] sell for the prises set by the Said Justices, and if they offend therein after the third fault, they Shall be lyable to such [fine] and Punishment as the Governr: and Councill Shall think fitt to allott or direct, But all Merchants that bring in tobacco or Ganjee into this Citty or Liberties thereof Paying their Custome, may freely sell their Goods to any Person or [purpose] whatsoever, to be transported to

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other ports or places, but [none] to be retailed in this Citty and Liberties thereof, except they sell it to the foresaid Upallapu Narandu or his Partners, the said Upallapu Narandu and Partners, shall have leave to keep watch on the warehouse where other merchants Tobacco shall be lodged, to see that none of it be dispos'd of, but for Transportation to other Ports onely, & may require of the seller [to] knowledge, whether it is sold, & to wh [om] who is hereby obliged to make that knowne when requir'd to avoid all disputes, [or have their goods] stopped by the tobacco & Ganjee ffarmers Upallapu Narandu and his Partners, till they doe it, and on these termes this Cowle is granted unto Upallapu Narandu, and his Partners before named, for one whole yeare from the time limitted for this Cowle to begin, they Paying into the R^t: Honble: Comp^a: Cash one hundred thirtey three Pag^s: and twelve fanams, on the first day they begin one, and soe on the first day of every month till twelve months or one whole yeare be Expired: dated in ffort St George ye 20th of ffebruary 169⅔.

The Commissary Gen^ll: & President & Councill, thinke fitt to Publish. That they Intend to lett to ffarme, the retaileing of tobacco, and Ganjee, and therefore give notice thereof, that all shopkeepers or other retailers of Manilla, Persia, or this Countrey (Either Northern, Southern, or Inland) tobacco, and Ganjee, within the Citty and Liberties of Madrass, sell of what they have by them, of tobacco and Ganjee, before the 20th: day of next month, when it is Intended the said ffarming shall begin, after which all persons whatsoever are forbid to retaile any of the sorts of tobacco or Ganjee, but as shall be licensed by the ffarmers thereto Appointed, Given in ffort St George ffeb^ry: the 20th: 169⅔. Order forbidding any but the farmers [. . .] these [. . .] them appointed to sell tobacco & Ganjee.

ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY 22ND.

Present

HIS EXC^CY: S^R: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COM^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDG ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL.
MR JAMES WHEELER.

This day President Higginson signed his Indenture &Bond wth Mr William Hatsell & M^r: John Styleman for his securityes and it is observed in his Indenture his sallary is orderd to begin at the arrivall of the ship Samuell, who is fallen in to y^e: French hand in her way hither outward bound, and soe cannot come therefore we conceive his sallary is to begin when y^e: Sampson arrived here by whome letters came that made him President, w^ch: was on the first of October last. Presidt Higginson and his Indent. Presidt Higginson Sallary to commence from ye 1st of October last.

Orderd that the Madapallam be Dispatch'd on Munday next without further delay. the Madapollum ordrd to be dispatched on Monday next.

Orderd that Pag^ds: 3846: 7 fan^ms: be paid M^r: William Fraser to buy Dollars to be sent on y^e: Madapollam for Bencoolen. Pagds: 3846: 7 fa: paid ye wherehouse-keepr to buy Dollers.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

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SATURDAY 25.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL Sr: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMISSRY: GENNERLL:
THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

100 Pags paid the washrs.

Ordered that 100 Pagods: be paid to Raggia &ca: washers for accots: for cureing the Rt: Honble: Companyes cloth.

Ordsrd 1000 Pags pd Mr Wright.

Orderd that pagods: 1000 be paid unto Mr: Thomas Wright Provisional Paymaster for charges Garrison.

Presidt Higginson into Cash accot Custome 60 Pags.

Presidt: Higginson paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pagods: 60: accot: Custome Gold coyn'd in the Mint.

Mr Wrights accot: read & past.

Mr: Thomas Wright Provis[i]onall Paymaster read his accots: for the Month of January wch: was pass'd Errors Excepted.

The accot: Disburstments Vizt.—

Charges Garrison	Pagods:	999:	8:	—
Charges Generall	„	359:	12:	—
Charges Merchandize	„	19:	35:	—
Charges Cattle	„	7:	22:	—
Fortification & Repaires	„	27:	3:	—
West Coast	„	2:	28:	—
Charges Dyett	„	439:	20:	—
Charges Extraordinary	„	2:	1:	—
Factors Provisions	„	247:	2:	—
	Pagods:	2104:	23:	—

Capt Hides Petition for moro kentilage granted

Capt: Hide Commander of ship Berkely Castle presenting a paper (enterd after this Consultation) that he wants 28 or 30 Tonns of saltpetre or other kentilage of his proportion by Charter party, It is orderd that Mr: Wheeler doe buy so much saltpetre for that purpose as cheap as he can not exceeding 9 pagods: ℘ Candy & if saltpetre not procureable, that soe much redwood be laden instead of it.

Mr Wilson pd in to ye Honble Comps Cash on accot passes Pags 8: 12: fa.

Mr Samuel Willson late Secretary paid into ye Rt Honble: Compas: Cash pagods: 8: fa 12: being 2 thirds of ye Fees received by him for Passes dureing his time, as ℘ accot: deliverd, and 'tis orderd that pagods: five be paid him for ye: usuall secrys: gratuity of 10£ ℘ ann̄ for 11 weekes.

Pags: 30 advanct to Mr Wilson.

Orderd that Pagods: 30 be paid to Mr: Willson, in advance of his sallary at Bencoolen.

Genll Lre to Bencoolen read & approved.

Generall letter of this date to Bencoolen to be sent by ye Madapollum read approved and sign'd, wherein 'tis orderd that Mr: Butterfield instead of coming hither doe repair to Ind[r]apoora and supply ye place of Mr Gibbon as Chief, who is orderd to goe and carry Coppyes of all Ind[r]apoora accots: [ ] Bencoolen, that they may be there adjusted.

Mr Pitts concerning 1000 Pags: Mr Wavell.

Mr Pitt produced severall attestations concerning Mr: Wavells paying 1000 pagods: into ye Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash in October 1689 more then the accot: Cash gives him Creditt for, and the accot: of Cash for that and other months being perused and Mr: Proby who was then secry examind thereon, there appearing some reason to consider whither ye same ought to be paid by Mr: Wavell's administrators, or by Presidt: Yale & ye further Examination thereof referrd to another time.

Emam Cooley from the Camp.

Emam Cooley arriveing yesterday from ye:camp wth: Congratulatory letters. A Horse & seerpaw from ye Vizier Asid Cawn & Zulphaker Cawn & Meja Mossim,

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with a letter Horse & Seerpaw from Cossim Cawn (now Nobob of the Carnatt Country in y^{e} roome of Allewerden Cawne) It is Judged necessary that y^{e} same be received with usuall solemnity especially that from Assid Cawn, w^{ch}: is said to be a Perwaña for three Towns Joyning to Madrass, and the Commissary haveing hitherto thought it fitt that the Transaction of business wth: y^{e}: Country Government should pass in the name of y^{e}: Presid^{t}: because he did not then intend to stay long here, but finding that y^{e}: state of things doe require his longer continuance, It is Judged more expedient, that himselfe doe appear to transact affaires wth: the Country Governm^{t}: and receive y^{e}: letters &c^{a}:

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^{M}: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

TO HIS EXCELL: S^{R}: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}:
COMMISS^{RY}: GENERALL & THE HON^{BLE}:
NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON PRESID^{T} & GOVERN^{R} OF
FORT ST. GEORGE &C^{A} COUNCILL.

Whereas your Excell: and y^{e}: Honble: Presid^{t}: & Councill did on ye 6th Instant resolve to dispatch y^{e}: Berkely Castle home directly for England, I was accordingly acquainted therewith, and orderd to gett the ship in a readiness w^{ch}: I have carefully observed hitherto, but doe now finde there will be a considerable quantitie of Salt Petre, or other Kintilage wanting to make her capable of performing her voyage for England, I not haveing that proportion of Petre w^{ch}: I by Charter Party am to have, as yett I have noe more then 75 or 76 Tonns, whereas am orderd 104, Therefore humbly desire your Excellency &c^{a}: to Consider of it, and if you can order me more Salt Petre or other Kintilage, without w^{ch}: I doe declare y^{t}: the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: Estate will not be safe in such a Voyage as from hence to England, Especially if must Endeavour for the gaining our Passage, all w^{ch}: is humbly Offered to your Excellencyes &c^{a}: Consideration, w^{ch}: is all at present, but that I am wth: all respect. **Capt: Hides Petition.**

Yo^{r}: Excellency's &c^{a}: Most obedient
humble servant,
SAMUEL HIDE.

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A Moors Ship arrived from Acheen with horses.

In the afternoone the Commissary Gen^{ll}: &c^{a}: went to the garden attended wth: about 30 horse 50 soldiers 100 Peons & y^{e}: Merch^{ts} &c^{a}: where after the receipt of the Perwanna's &c^{a}: from the hands of Emam Cooley three Volleys and 21 gunns were fired, & then returning to the Fort Emam Cooley wth: the Armenians &c^{a}: were entertained wth: sweetmeats and 19 gunns were fired & the Horse ordered into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Stable.

The Letters received were one from Assid Cawn, and one from Zulphaker Cawn, a Perwanna from Assid Cawn for three Towns, and two Perwannas concerning wrecks, Translates whereof followes.

TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM THE GRAND VISSIER NABOB ASSID CAWN, TO PRESIDENT HIGGINSON ENGLISH GOVERNOUR OF CHINAPATAM.

Presid^{t}: Higginson must allwayes be firme in the Kings service lately what you wrote to me I have rec^{d}: & observe the meaning there of w^{ch}: I have taken into my serious consideration, Your faithfull services to the King & your good wishes towards the Divan, the w^{ch}: I am pleased at & commend you for it. I have writt often to the King in behalfe of a Phirmaund w^{ch}: will arrive in a few days according

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to your desire, I have granted you a Perwanna for the towns you desired, besides wch: I have herewith enclosed a Perwanna to the Officers of St Thome, and another to the Officers of Sanature, and in the same manner, often accquaint me of Your good health. Dated the 10th Februry 169⅔ in the 36th yeare of the Kings Reigne. Recd 25th ffebruary 169⅔.

TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM THE GRAND VISSER NABOB ASSID CAWN.

All the Governrs: belonging to the Carnatta Countrey under ye: Governmt: of Golcondah, they must understand that the Towns Tandore, Persewacca, and Yegmore, these Towns doe belong to Ye: Pullamull Countrey, the wch: is granted to the English Compa: these Towns Presidt: Higginson the English Govr: of Chinapatam you must release to him, & you must not make any demands on them the benefitt of the Towns & other things on accot: of this buisness you must be sure to act accordingly. Dated the 10th of ffebrury 169⅔ and In the 36th Yeare of the Kings Reigne.

MONDAY 27TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMISRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE: NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Presidts accot. Cash read & past.

The President Read his accot: Cash and mint accot: for the moneths of December & January last, wch: were passed Errors Excepted, the ballance of the Cash being for December Pags: 3900 :—: 2 & January Pags: 2028 :—: 4 : amots: of Custome Gold Coyn'd in December Pags: 30 : 15 : 3 : January Pags 59 : 34 : 3.

The Attorney orderd to wt. upon P. Yale abot. 1000 pags in dispute.

Ordered that the Attorney Generall wait upon President Yale and accquaint him that Mr Pitt hath given such Evidence of Mr: Wavels Paying the 1000 * Pags: in difference wth: President Yale, that if he please not to pay the money, he is ordered to proceed against him for it, and he is hereby ordered to proceed accordingly.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

28 The Bencoolen Friggett Mr: Griffin Master arrived from Tonqueen, wth: a Cargoe of Lacquerd ware silkes &ca and brought a Genll: Lr̃e from the Cheife &ca Councill there.

A Dutch Sloop arrived from Tegnapatam and brought a letter from Govr Pitt,

1ST [MARCH] wth: advices that the Conjoyn'd Fleet had obtaind a Signall victory over that of our Common Enimy.

Ship St: ffrancisco Ferdinando Manoell Mr: Imported from Bengall with a Cargoe of Rice, Butter, Suger &ca:

* The I.O. copy reads *100 Pags:*

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR: WM: FRASER MR: WM: HATSELL MR: JAMES WHEELER.

Wee being sensible of the truth of Mr: Thredcrofts Indisposition of body, doe grant his dismission, from being Attorney Genll: for the Rt: Honble: Company, and appoint Mr: Mathew Mead (as the fittest Person) to be attorney Genll: in his Roome. Mr Thredcrofts Petition Stands Entered, next after this Consultation. Mr. Mead Attorney Genll. in Mr. Thredcrofts roome.

Ordered that the Bencoolen Friggott be unladen, & that ye Rt: Honble Compas: Goods from Tonqueen, be all opened and Examined by the warehousekeepr: wth: all expedition, who is to report the Contents and Condition in order to be unladen [on]the Berkeley Castle. the Bencoolen ffriggot to be unladen.

The Master of the Bencoolen ffriggatt is ordered to deliver an accot: of stores belonging to said ship: and wth: the Purser an accot: of the Ships Expences for the whole Voyage. The master of ye Bencoolen to deliver accot. [of] Store & Expenses.

Govr: Pitt haveing sent a letter & accot: as entred after this Consultation, desireing us to pay the Dutch Company's Resident at Pollicatt Dollers 58 [. . .] for the Charges of John Theuni [s . .] who left the [. . .] Merchant at Batavia. It is ordered that Pags: 26: 18: fa: be sent to Pollicat in discharge thereof, and that the same be advised to the Rt: Honble: Company to be accounted with Capt: Knox. Orderd yt. Pags 26: 18: fa. [be pd] the Presdt. Pollicat.

In the Berkeley Castles Bill of Lading from England mention is made of two anchors, wch: the Capt: sayeth were in by mistake, and that none were laden, and in regard there appears none in the Invoice, the warehousekeeper is to make Exception of the said anchors on the back of the said bill, when he signes a receipt, and it is to be advised home in the Genll. 2 anchrs wanting in Berkeley Castles Bill of lading.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

To HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE: NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: &cA COUNCILL.

The humble request of Edward Thredcroft.

Humbly sheweth that whereas the said Edward Thredcroft was appointed by your Excellency &ca: Councill Attorney Genll: on behalfe of the Rt: Honble: East India Company, and finding by some moneths experience not able to execute that office through weakeness & Imperfection of the Lungs, that by little speaking soe heats and disorders the Head, that makes your suppliant not able to plead or sit long in [court] tis therefore Humbly desired that your Excellency &ca: Councill will be [pleased] to appoint some other person in the Roome and Stead of your Said suppliant as Attorney Generall, which is the Prayer of Mr. Edwd: Thredcrofts Petition.

Your most Obedt: & faithfull Servt
EDWD: THREDCROFT.

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To the Hon^{BLE} : Nath : Higginson Esq^{R} : Elected Govern^{R} :
of the Forts and Traffick for the Hon^{BLE} :
English Company on the Coast of Chormandell.

Very Honble S^{r}

Govr. Pitts Ltt.

Upon departure of the English Shipp from Batavia the Tonqueen Merchant, Capt: Knox Commander, there was left there one of his men named John Theuanis Runwaarts, who was since sent from thence for Ceylone by one of our ships, by order of his Excellency the Lord Govern^{r} : Gen^{ll} : and the Lords of the Councill of India : to send him from thence to your hon^{rs} : at Madrass, w^{ch} : is done by one of our sloops, who upon his request was holpen wth : necessary Charges at Ceylone and here, as by a memoriall thereof sent herewith your Hon^{r} : may understand, w^{ch} : we desire your Hon^{r} : to make satisfaction to our Comp^{s} : Resid^{t} : at Pollicat, these serving to noe other intent, soe after offering of my ready service, I willingly testifye to be

Very Honble : S^{r}.
Your Hon^{rs} : ready Servant

and Loveing Freind
Lawrence Pitt.

Negapatnam y^{e} : 27th : ffeb^{ry} : 1693 Translate
℘ Ed : Dalton.

Memoriall of the Voyage and money Lent to John Theunis Runwaarts an English seaman, whose ship left him at Batavia from whence he came to Columbo, Gaule & Jaffanapatnam & hither, being for his Expences, to be seen by his Excell^{cy} : S^{r} : John Goldsborough Kn^{t} : Commissary Generall at Madrass to be repaid and satisfied.

In the Citty of Nagapatnam y^{e} 24th Febr^{ry} 1693.
52 R $\frac{8}{8}$ from the cash :
4 Rs $\frac{8}{8}$ from the Cashkeep^{r} of the Castle Columbo.
8 $\frac{8}{8}$ from D^{o} : att Gaule
31 $\frac{8}{8}$ . . . . at the Castle of Jaffanapatnam whereof 10 R^{s} $\frac{8}{8}$ in the m^{o} : November.
1$\frac{8}{8}$ in y^{e} : m^{o} : Decemb^{r} : in the hospitall.
20 in January at 2 times.
8 R^{s} $\frac{8}{8}$ or 4 Pag^{ds} : y^{e} 16 Instant received here.
52 R^{s} $\frac{8}{8}$ as above reckoned at 3 Guldens each amounts to ... ... 156 :
2$\frac{1}{2}$ Parra Rice taken at Gaule at 1 ℘ Parra ... 2 : 12 : 8

Signed ... 158 : 12 : 8
Jan Corte.

Translated ℘ Ed : Dalton.

Translate of a Perwanna from Cassim Caun to the English Govern^{R}.

You must allways be dilligent in the Kings buisness now I have granted Meerzau Mahomud Mausum, the fousdarships and Cheife officers place of Pullamullee Countrey & the Sea Ports &c^{a} : be sure to act according to w^{ch} : he shall write, if any of his People shall att any time come to your Town, if he should demand them, you must deliver them up. I have sent you 5 peices as a tashareef and a horse w^{ch} : you will receive from the hands of Meerzau Mahomud Mausum. And [w]hen you put y^{m} : one you may remaine wth : a joy full mind.

Dated y^{e} : 14 Feb^{ry} 169$\frac{2}{3}$
Rec^{d} the 27 D^{o} :

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TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM THE GRAND VISSEER NABOB ASSID CAUN, TO THE OFFICERS OF ST: THOMA.

You must all know lately, I understood by Presid[t]: Higginson the English Govern[r] of Chinapatam's letter, that you have stop't the things belonging to the Castaway Ship's as boards, Goods &c[a]: and the Lascars Cloaths &c[ca]: therefore I write you this order that if it be soe, deliver up all those things that belong to them, or to their servants, that belong to the Castaway Ship, for the future you must not act in such an ill manner, Contrary [to] Sallabud, you must understand that this is a strict order, Dated the 10th ffebruary 169⅔ and in y[e] 36th: Yeare of the Kings Reign.

TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM NABOB ZULPHAKER CAUN BAUHAUTHER.

I rec[d]: your lre̅ and observe the Contents thereof according to yo[r]: desire I have got the Grand Visseer Perwanna & [his] seale affixed there to, and he alsoe has sent you a Tashereef w[ch]: I have rec[d]: and now send to you, about a Phirmaund we have writt up to the Court w[ch]: we will send for, we find you obligeing in your service, now we send you a horse and Cloaths now I heare a great many of Allemerden Caun's Companions and severall others comes and lives in your town therefore I write you this you must doe in such a manner as none shall remaine there, if they will not goe out by faire means you must see to make them goe out.

Formerly the Cap[t]: [Elihu] Yale did write me, that if I wanted any money he would lend it me, and receive the money in Bengall, att a place called Bahaur in my Jaagere upon a bill of Exchange, I then haveing noe occasion for money did not except of proffer, now I have great occasion for money for these reasons, now I am att a great deale of charge to maintaine the troopers as alsoe at a great Expence in the Kings buisiness, and it is a great while a goe since I rec[d]: any money from the Court nor any Bill of Exchange from thence because all the roads are stopt, therefore I write you this, in such a time as this, if you doe assist me w[th]: two lack of Rupees it will be a very acceptable service w[ch]: if you will let me have I will send you a bill of Exchange to receive the Same att a place called Behaur in Bengall.

Emaun Cooley assures us of ye Phirmaund.

Emaun Cooley came to the Commissary Gen[ll]: who discoursed him concerning the Phirmaund whereof he gives very possitive assurance, that it will come suddainly as Assid Caun writes the Mogull haveing given order to his officers for it's being written, for three towns the takeing off the 1200 Pag[s]: rent money &c[a]: Privellidges desired, upon the receipt of w[ch]: advise from his Vaquell at Court, Assid Caun do's now send us his Perwanna to take present Possession of the three Towns.

Deliver'd Cap[t]: Harbin his dispatch, and a Pacquett for Bencoolen and in the afternoone he sett saile.

The Northampton John Lane Master sailed for the West Coast.

SATTURDAY 4.

The Dolphin Christian Peter Master Imported from Bengall with a Cargoe of Rice, Butter, Suger &c[a].

TUESDAY 7TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: S[R]: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN[T]: COMMS[RY]: GEN[LL]:
THE HON[BLE]: NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] W[M] FRASER M[R] W[M] HATSELL
M[R]. JAMES WHEELER.

The ware housekeep[r] orderd to buy 6½ peices Scarlett.

The warehouse keep[r] is ordered to buy for Presents Six[&]halfe Peices of Scarlett of the Armenians att Pag[s]: 3℔ yard three halfe peices of Aurora att Pag[s]: 50℔ peice, being the Lowest price they will afford itt of the Cloth they Imported upon the

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Sampson and 100 sheets of China paper of Cojee Abrim for Pags : 25 : which Assid Cawn has wrote for, and noe more procureable of that sort, which he demanded 40 Pags : for.

Mr. Wheeler paid into Cash Pa. 2500

Mr James Wheeler paid into the Rt : Honble : Comps : Cash Pags : 2500 : on accot : Sea Custome.

Ordered yt : Mr. Bowdlers sallary be paid.

Ordered that Mr William Bowdlers sallary due in India, be paid him from September 29th to the 18th of ffebruary is pags : 6 : 31 fa : 1 ca.

Presents ordered to be made.

Ordered that Presents be made to the following persons Vizt.

	PAGS.
To Assid Cawn	400
To Cassim Cawn	400
To Zulphaker Cawn	400
To Emaun Cooley	400 our Vaqueel who

brought ye Present & Perwanna from Assid Cawn & Zulphaker Cawn;

To Meja Mossim————100 : who brought the Present from Cassim Cawn & is Governr : of the Pullemullee Countrey.

To Cassim Cawn's Bramine :—30—.

The said presents to be made in Broad cloth & Rarities, and the rest in Rupees & Gold Mohurs.

Mr. Hiller ordered to assist the warehouse keepr.

Ordered that Mr Joseph Hiller, doe assist the Warehouskeepr : in the Goe down, in the Roome of Mr: Meverill.

Mr. Brough orderd to be Gentleman of armes.

Ordered that Mr : ffrancis Brough be Gentleman of the Arm's in the place of Mr : William Ladd, & receive from him the arm's &ca : in his Custody.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HASTSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

9. Ship Sta Cruce Cojee Arretome Master belonging to ye [Armens] Imported from Bengall with a Cargoe of [Rice, Sugar] &ca : ship senhora de Rosara [*lacuna in the original*] from Pegue and Atcheen, wth : a Cargoe of wax, Ganjee, Elleptts: teeth [horse] &ca : Gave a Pass unto Briggantine Maria, Richd : Hartrapins : belonging to George Herring Inhabitant of this Citty.

10. Briggantine Maria sailed for Bengall.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 13TH.

HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMRY : GENLL:
THE HONBLE : NATH : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR : JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM: FFRASER MR WM: HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Pags 1000 ordered to be paid Mr. Wright.

Ordered that Pags : 1000 be paid Mr : Thoms : Wright Provisll : Paymaster for defraying Garrison Charges.

Ordered yt : Ranga Chittee &ca be Imprisond.

Ordered that Ranga Chittee, Colla Vincatadre & Pedana formerly Committed to Prison and lett out upon Baile, be now Recommitted to prison, there being cause shewn to the Commissary and Presidt : that they have been Instrumentall in spreading of falce Stories, to the prejudice of the Governmt : and doeing other ill offices wth : Emaun Cooley

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Orderd that the french Padre Miguell go not out of the compound of the Church.

And it is Observed that the ffrench Padre Miguell hath been buisey in this town and St Thoma to gett subscriptions to Papers that doe no waies concerne him or Relate to his duty to meddle in, therefore he is order'd not to goe forth of the Compound of their Church, under the pain of Close Imprisonment, without especiall licence from the Governour.

The Bencoolen orderd to ffort St. David.

The Bencoolen being now unladen of her Tonqueen Goods, shee is forth with to be dispatched for ffort St David to fetch hither what goods is there ready of the Rt: Honble Comps: for the Berkeley Castle, and the following goods and stores to be sent thither on her, wch: the warehousekeepr: and Storekeepr are to see laden forthwith, Vizt 2 Chests Bengall Candles, 1 Puncheon of Beef, 1 Butt of Arrack, 10: C Bisket, 29 Timbers, 20 Candy of lead, and one butt of Wine, and if there be any ffreight goods offer the warehousekeepr is to give order [or] to lade them, and give accot: of the ffreight to be received att ffort St David.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Dispatch't a Genll: to ffort St David of this days date. 13.

Shipp Annapourna Imported from Atcheen, belonging to Colloway Chittee Inhabitant of this Citty, with a Cargoe of horses, Ganjee, Dammer &ca. 14.

Briggantine Francis, Francis Holt Owner & Comandr Imported from Quedah with Ellephants, Tinn &ca. 15.

Shipp Dansburgh Imported from Trincombar belonging to the Danes. 16.

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 17TH.

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMSRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WM: HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Concerning Mr ffraser &ca sorters report of ye neck-clothes.

Mr ffraser &ca Sorters delivering their Report of the Neck clothes, as Entred next after this Consultation, It is ordered that the same be all taken of the Merchants, and laden on the Berkeley Castle, Invoiced att 55: 45 & 40 ₰ Pagodo and the few remaining peices refused as decayed and dammaged be sold to the soldiers of the Garrison att a fanam, or a fanam & $\frac{1}{2}$ a peice.

Ordered that Mr Pitt Muster the Berkeley Castles men.

Ordered that Mr Pitt Muster the Berkeley Castle men on Monday morning.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

TO HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISSARY GENERLL
AND THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
OF FORT ST GEORGE &CA COUNCILL.

Mr ffraser & assistants report About ye neck cloths.

Whereas by a Consultation of the 27th January last the Warehousekeept: & Assistants, were ordered to Sort (by new mustrs) a parcell of neckcloths ordinary, wch: have for a long time lyen by in the Merchants goedown, & were rejected by the former Warehouskeeps: as not agreeable, nor comeing up

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to the old Musters, but in Sep[t] last, Presid[t] Yale &c[a] proposed to the Merchants to take so many of them as (in the Sorters Judgem[t] :) should agree w[th] : two musters, w[ch]: were then chosen out of the said Neck clothes Viz[t]: of the head muster: 40 neck cloths ℔ one Pag[do]: & 45 neck clothes ℔ one Pago[do] : for so many as should agree or come up to the 2[d] : Muster, to w[ch] : the Merch[ts] : could not be brought to consent, till of late, that they offer'd them at the rate of 55 neck clothes ℔ one Pag[do]: provided the R[t]: Hon[ble] Company would please to take them all of their hands, & accordingly wee were ordered to sort them all, & report their Condition, w[ch] : is breifly thus, of the whole Quantity, we find 2 Bales agreeable to the head muster & 4 bales agreeable & many of them better then y[e]: 2[d] : muster : & 4 bales much inferiour to the lowest muster, & tho' many of the said 4 bales are thin ill washed & fraed, yet there are likewise of them many p[s]: that are thick & of good substance in their kind, & may turn well to acco[t]: in England as times goe, Considering the Gen[ll]: use they may be of to Soldiers & Seamen, att the rate of 55 single neck clothes one w[th]: another ℔ one Pag[do] : but this we presume not to give as advice, nor to direct your Excellency &c[a] : but with all submission humbly offer it as the private opinion of.

Your Excell[s] &c[a] Most Hum[ble] Serv[ts] :
WILLIAM FRASER.
E[D] : TREDCROFT.

SATTERDAY 18TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION
Present

HIS EXCELLENCY S[R] : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN[T] : COMIS[RY] GEN[LL] :
THE HON[BLE] NATH : HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] W[M] FFRASER M[R] W[M] HATSELL
M[R] JAMES WHEELER.

Order about pulling down the house.

Upon information given of severall new Cracks Appearing in the ffort house, we caused the Chinam to be laid open, and upon vewing thereof find the walls of the East Corner to be crackt through from Top to bottom, on both sides of the Angle, & towards the top open more then an Inch the bricks newly Crushed & broke, & the wall leans outwards : 9 Inches ℔ a perpendiculer, the Beams drawn and Sunck in the outward ends, w[ch] : defects appear to have been old, but very lately Encreased so much that the walls cannot be supported by Buttresses any longer but is in daily danger of falling, and is not safe for the R[t] : Hon[ble] Comp[s] : Servants to be in, in the raine & winds, which usually happen in the beginning of Aprill. It is therefore ordered that the house be Pulled down, beginning att the East Corner, and other Lodgings be built in the ffort as shall hereafter be thought convenient. In the mean time Y[t] : M[r] Jearsies house be hired by Judge Dolben, for the accomodation of the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] : Servants.

Order for regulating the prices of rice & Paddy.

Some Inhabitants of the Town haveing bought up and ingrossed all the Paddy and Rice Imported, att a lower price for which they have given earnest to the Northern Merchants. Importers, who yett sell it out in their own names, but the proffitt is for the Engrossers, who endeavour to raise the price soe that tis grown dearer 20 ℔ Cent, and will grow dearer daily unless prevented, It is therefore ordered that Paddy be sold att the Sea Side for 24 or 25 Mercall for a Pag[da] : and the said Paddy att the Banksall att 25 & 26 for a Pago[da] : till further order. and Rice to be sold att a rate proportionable to the prices of Paddy : according to the Goodnesse, w[ch]: the Mayor and Aldermen and all others are ordered to see duely observed.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
W[M] : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

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Dispatch't a Genll: Lrẽ to ffort St David of this days date adviseing that the Bencoolen ffriggett was ready to sayle for their Port, but waited for a faire wind.

Shipp St David imported from China and Manilla Capt: Brooks Commander belonging to the Honble Elihu Yale Esqr &ca: Inhabitants of this Citty. 19.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 20TH.

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM FFRASER MR WM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Wheeler read aocot: Sea Custo.

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer read his account Sea Customes for the moneth of January Vizt—

	Pa	Fa	Ca
Sea Custome of Goods	2065	16	0
„ „ Grain	272	15	1
Anchorage	36	18	0
Tonnage	25	0	0
	2399	13	1

Mr Ffraser &ca sorters opinion concerning Conimere & Porto Novo blew Clothes.

Mr William Fraser &ca Sorters, delivered in their report of the Conimere & Porto Novo blew Cloth as entred next after this Consultation, wch: is dated 24th of January and hath ever since been under the use of the Attorney Genll: in Court.

Order concerning Mr. Nicks paper.

Mr John Nicks sent a Paper Complaining of a hard Judgement passed lately against him in Court for Pags: 8000: wch: is ordered to be entered in the Coppy book of Letters received and 'tis referred to the Judge to give answer thereunto if he thinkes it requisite.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
MR: HATSELL.
JAMES: WHEELER.

TO HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENERALL & SUPERVISR: OF ALL AFFAIRES FOR THE ENGLISH NATION, IN INDIA & TO THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON PRESIDENT & GOVERNR: OF FORT ST GEORGE &CA.

ffraser &ca. sorters [...]of the Conimere Porto Novo blue cloth.

In persuance to Your Excellency's &ca: Order of Councill, directed to us the subscribers hereof, bearing date the 21st day of the last moneth, wee have with all care viewed Examined Resorted & vallewed all the blue cloth of Conimeer, & Porto Novo, that are now in the Godowne, and have divided each into 4 sortes, as they are inferiour to the goodness of their Musters, the better to direct and guide our Judgement: as to their severall valuation, which is in manner following Vizt—

Of the Conimeer 38: Bales wee find them thus;

	Pa.	fa.	ca.	
No. 1. of this No. 1, we make but 11 Corge, 12 ps: Its difference worse then muster vallue.	01	12	0	℔ Corge.
2. of this sort or No: we make 15 Corge: 07½ ps: Its difference worse then muster wee value.	03	12	0	℔ Corge

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3. of this 3rd Sort we make . . . . . . 16 Corge 10 ps : its difference worse then muster we value.	08	0	0	ꝑ Corge.
4. of this 4th sort we make . . . . 12 Corge its difference worse then muster we value.	11	0	0	ꝑ Corge.
Of the Porto novo 39 Bales we find them thus ;—				
No. 1. Of this first sort we make but 3 Corge ps : 0 its difference worse then muster we value.	02	18	0	ꝑ Corge.
2. Of this sort & No : we make 10 Corge ps 10 its difference worse then muster we value.	05	0	0	ꝑ Corge.
3. Of this sort we make . . . 25 Corge & 10 ps : its difference worse then muster we value.	07	0	0	ꝑ Corge.
4. Of this sort we find . . . . 18 Corge ps : 00 its difference worse then muster we value.	10	0	0	ꝑ Corge.

Note that of the 38 Bales of Conimeere, one Bale is to be return'd, it contains severall peices that are torne and full of holes, the same we find in one of the 39 Bales of the Porto Novo cloth & therefore not merchantable, & is exclusive to the number of Corges before mentioned.

There was 4 Bales of the Conimeer blue cloth sent home upon the Dorothy Last October for the Rt Honble Companys view.

Wee humbly request your Excellency &ca: to believe that in resorting, Examining, and valueing of all the above mentioned Cloth, we have done soe even & Impartially (to the best of our Judgements) as we can, without prejudice or favour to any, and this our opinion and true report of the Conimere and Porto Novo blue cloth we certifie under our hands, Att Fort St. George the 24th: day of January 169⅔.

WILLIAM FFRASER.
WILLIAM HATSELL.
SIMON HOLCOMBE.
ED: TREDCROFT.

22d. Ship Conimeer Merchant William Harrison Mastr Imported from Siam and Malacca wth: a Cargoe of Suger Toothenague &ca:

THURSDAY 23d.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COM̃ GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Warehousekeepr: haveing delivered an accot: of 348 Bales of Long cloth and Salampores laden aboard the Berkeley Castle, whereof there are severall distintions in quality and measure, & abatements, wch: will require an accurate Calculation, It is ordered that the accomptant doe forthwith cause the Invoice thereof to be drawn out, Rating Long cloth No. 2 at Pags: 24 : 18 : No. 2+Pags: 23 : 16 : No. 1 Pags : 22 : No. 1+Pa. 20 : 20 Salampores No. 3 Pags 10 : 25 : No. 3+Pags: 10 : 9 : No 2 Pags : 10 : No 2+Pags 9 : 27 : Long cloth blue No D+ Pa : 27 : 24 and att the foot of each head to add 8 ꝑ cent ꝑ Contract, and deduct

the Accompt to draw ye Invoice of Lo Co : & Salampores.

from the Short Cloth soe much as is Expressed in the perticular acco^t: of the Short measure now deliver'd, and 5 ℔ cent over and above the said short measure.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Recd: a Gen^ll: from Fort St David dated the [*Lacuna in Original.*] Inst.

ATT A CONSULTATION — FRIDAY 24TH.

Present

HIS EXCELL: S^R: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COMISS^RY: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

A sloop comeing from ffort St David w^th: 40 bales of the R^t Honble Comp^as: overshot the Port in the nigh[t] and fell to Tandore, where she lyes wind bound. It is ordered that the warehousekeeper cause the bales to be traversed from the said sloop aboard the Berkeley Castle.

The Pearle being arrived from Bengall this day w^th: lead and Gunnyes, the warehousekeep^r: is orderd to unlade the same w^th: all expedition.

The Conimere Merchants acco^ts: as ballanced by the Conimeer books makes them D^r: Pag^s: 4371 : 3 : 5 : whereof they have paid into the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: Cash at severall times Pag^s: 4306 ; there remaines due Pag^s: 65 : 3 : 5 whereof Pag^s: 54 is for 2 p^s: aurora entred as delivered to Narran Chittee for the Joint stock acco^t: but tis not only affirmed by the merchants, but owned by Narran Chittee now, that twas for his perticular acco^t: & pretends that he had paid for it, therefore the Attorney Gen^ll: is ordered to sue Narran Chittee for the said debt and the Conimeer Merchants are to pay the remainder being Pag^s: 11 : 3 : 5 to ballance the acco^t as it stands in the Conimeer books, which when t'is finished wee shall consider of their discharge from the Contract and Imprisonment.

Ordered that Pag^s: 100 be added to the present appointed for Assid Cawns and Pag^s: 100 to Zulphaker Cawns.

J: GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Ship Pearle William Addams Master belonging to the R^t: Honble: Comp^a: arrived from Bengall bringing a letter to his Excell: the Comiss: dat [*Lacuna in Original*] ship Loyall Capt: William Browne Comand^r: from d^o: place bring in a lre to his Excell: the Commissary dated 13 febr^y: adviseing the dispatch of Ship Tonqueen merch^t: for Europe on [. . .] wth a Cargo of [. . .] but mention nothing of the Charles 2^d or Sampson, the master of ye Pearle reports that he met Gingerlee Brigгantine goeing up Hughly River on ye 24th february, on d^o: ship came Messrs Broboine, Games, Dupreck. Ship Henry John Romer Master arrived from Barway laden w^th: grain. 24.

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MONDAY 27TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY S^R^: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T^ Co: G:
THE HON^BLE^ NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^: PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^ JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILL^M^ HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Pags: 1000 pd Mr. Wright. Ordered that Pag^s^: 1000 be paid Mr Thomas Wright towards defraying Garrison Charges.

Pags: 50 pd Washers. Ordered that 50 Pag^s^: be paid Raggia &^ca^: Washers for cureing the R^t^: Honble Comp^s^: Cloth.

Pags: 100 delived Narran to p̃esent Meja Mossim with. Ordered that 100 Pag^s^: be paid Narran Cheife Dubash to present Meja Mossim with.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^M^: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

TUESDAY 28TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY S^R^: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T^: COMMISS: GEN^LL^:
THE HON^BLE^ NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^ JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR W^M^ HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Judge accquaints that on Wednesday the 15th Inst^t^: the Court of Admiralty pronouncing their Judgement on the Information preferrd on the behalfe of the R^t^: Honble: Company against Elihu Yale Esqr, John Nicks, Cath: Nicks, Ancopa, Pedana and Ranga Chittee, by which Judgement Elihu Yale is decreed to pay to the R^t^: Honble Company Pag^s^: 4923 John Nicks 800 Cath: Nicks 600: Anc̃o: Pag: 400 Pedana Pag^s^: 200 and Ranga Chittee Pag^s^: 20.

That on Monday the 20th Inst: the Judgement was entered, and Execution was taken out, and upon motion of the Attorney Generall, such part of ship Diamond and her Cargoe as was attatched in the hands of Capt: James Howell being the proper Estate & effect[s] of Elihu Yale was condemned and Capt: Howell orderd to pay the same into Court, who refuseing to comply was by attatchment taken into Custody, and then paid into Court Pag^s^: 3489 being the ballance of that acc^t^: w^ch^: he delivered in upon oath, upon w^ch^: he was discharged.

That M^rs^: Cath: Nicks has paid Pag^s^: 600 in full of her debt.

That Mr James Wheeler hath paid into Court Pag^s^: 1145: 25 fa: being the ballance of Mr Nicks acco^t^: of those effects attatched and Condemned in his hand.

Ranga Chittee hath alsoe paid into Court the twenty Pag^s^: decreed against him.

28TH. All which summs the Judge hath paid into the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: Cash: Pag^s^: 4654: 25: on this day and Pag^s^: 600 on the 18th: Instant.

The R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: affairs att Tonqueen being considered w^th^: the slender acco^t^: Mr Keeling hath given of them hither, or home, the sorrey parcell of Lacquer'd ware they have now sent by the Bencoolen Merch^t^: who comes ¾ empty, and the notice wee have of their trading with the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: stock, twice in a Junck to Malacca Quedah and Atcheen, att which last place Mr Blackmore now is with the Junck.

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It is therefore resolved to send Mr Watts to Tonqueen wth: power to seize Mr Blackmore wherever he can find him, and all the effects he has, and to send him and his effects hither, and to Call Mr Keeling to a strict accot: and send him alsoe hither, wth: Mr Sams the Master of the Junck, If there shall appear cause for it, & that Mr ffarmer doe goe as second to Mr Watts, and [*lacuna in the original*] third, and that the Rt: Honble: Comps: ship Pearle now come from Bengall, is fitt for that purpose and that Capt: James Howell be appointed Master, & that shee shall be ordered to depart hence by the 20th of next Month Aprill, and that a note be sett up at the sea Gate to give notice of her intended voyage, If any have occasion to freight goods upon her to Atcheen Malacca or Tonqueen before named, that they apply themselves to the Warehousekeeper who is ordered to take the usuall ffreight given att this time.

Mr. Watts ffarmer ordered for Tonqueen.

Ship Pearle ordered for Tonqueen.

Mr Vicessimus Griffith being sickly & requesting leave for goeing home upon ship Berkeley Castle, his contracted time being out. It is granted paying the usuall permission of Pagods: twenty six.

Pmission granted Mr. Vic: Griffith for goeing home.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION — FFRIDAY 31.

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMIS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Keeling writeing that the lacquer'd ware by the Bencoolen Merchant was all except ye: looking glass frames, old & unfitt for Europe, a Chest of each was opened and viewed, and it is thereupon order'd that the same be laden aboard the Berkeley Castle, there not being Goods enough to fill her up otherwise, onely three Chests Vizt: No. 11: 13 & 15 containing dressing boxes banderds and voyders, and the ten Chests of Chaire frames, wch: are soe deare in Tonqueen, & soe [ill] made and bulky that they will not pay the [ir] ffreight, are orderd to be reserved for disposall he [re . .] either by sale, or Presents, as occasion offers, & that on Thursday the sixth of Aprill be exposed to Publique sale by outcry by the ware housekeepr thirty seaven baggs of anniseeds, and twenty thousand Course Cups and that the Eight Chests of Copper be Coined into Cash for this Place and Bencoolen, as the Mintmen have leasure from other business.

37 baggs of anniseeds 20000 Cups &ca goods orderd to be sold at outcry.

Ordered that one hundred and Ninety Pags: 2ca: be paid Mr Pitt and Mr Tredcroft, as by bill of Exchange from ffort St: David dated March the 18th: drawne by Mr John Haynes Second &ca Councill for soe much money paid into the Rt: Honble: Company's Cash there.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

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APRILL 5TH.

Bengall Merchant Capt: Brewster Commandr belonging to the Armenians arrived in this Road from Bengall Laden [wth] Suger sa[l]t Petre &ca: and brought a Generall letter from the Agent &ca: Councill there to his Excellency the Commissary wth: an accot of severll Journall parcells standing in their Books, and some of the Persons that are Indebted are resideing here.

THURSDAY 6.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The ffrench Padre Petitioning for liberty from the confinement he is appointed to of the bounds of the Church and Church-yard, ordered that he be permitted to doe his duty to the People abroad as a Priest and that he be admonished to Meddle wth: noe other Matters but such as relate to his Religion onely, and Mr John Dolben is desired to doe it.

Mr Holcomb promise to pay Gunny Narooes debt.

Mr Holcomb gave the Commissary a note that he when he came to Vizagapatam would make good into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash 705½ Rupees for the principle and Interest of Gunny Narsoes debt contracted by Mr DuBois there, he haveing had three letters sent him by Mr Barwell about it and answered none of them, therefore it was required of his brother & Son whoe were here att Madrass, and have gott Mr Holcombe to ingage for It.

Ordered that the second draw up the accot: Sallary due to the Rt: Honble: Comps: servants for six months to the 25th of March last.

Mr Snell Orderd rentall Generall.

Ordered that Mr George Snell be appointed Collector of the Rt: Honble: Comps: Quitt Rents for the Citty of Madrass and subburbs in the Room of Mr Zouch Troughton who is goeing to ffort St: David, and that he Collect it according to a booke rated & sign'd by the Commissary and President & Council this day.

Warehouse-keeprs accot. read and past.

The Warehousekeepers accot: for the month of January was read and past Errours Excepted.

Mr Troughton paid into the Comps Cash Pa: 650 accot: Quitt rents.

Mr Troughton paid into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash on accot: of Quitt Rents Pagos: 650.

Pagds: 650 be paid the warehousekeeper.

Mr Fraser Warehousekeeper desired money towards paying for Presents, Ordered that 650 Pags: be paid him on that accot:.

The Warehousekeeper shewed us a muster of the Rt: Honble: Comps: wheat sent from Bengall by the Maddapollam wch: is musty and much consumed wth: the worme & weavill wch: is to be advised of into Bengall to avoid sending such hereafter.

Emaun Cooley desires a new obligacon.

Emaun Cooley haveing in a Passion tore the obligation given by Mr Richard Trenchfeild and Mr John Pitt to Zulphaker Cawn in Aprill 1692 att the Camp when they were there sent about getting a Phirmaund from the Great Mogull for Madrass and other Priviledges, he doth now desire he may have another wth: the Commissary and Presidents hands to it, and finding the translation of the torne one to be very significant in Expressing the termes and Priviledges to be in the Phirmaund, without which noe money is to be paid for it: and allso very Perticuler and more Proper then another about the Payment. Ordered that the torne obligation be Coppied by our Mulla, and that Mr Trenchfeild and Mr Pitt be desired to raze out their names in the torne one, and signe the Coppy thereof anew, and the Commissary and President are desired to confirme it allsoe; it being better

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that there should be such a writeing to express the termes agreed on, than to leave it without for them to make demands att will.

Mrs Catherine Nix Petitions for Libertie to have Passage granted her and Children for England on the Berkeley Castle which is granted She first paying twenty six Pags: each person to be Embarqued.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH	WILL: FRASER
NAT: HIGGINSON	WM: HATSELL.
JO: DOLBEN	JAMES WHEELER.

Ship Bengall Merchant belonging to the Armenians by accident tooke fire and after She had burnt about ½ an hour the Powder blew up, and the Hull Imediately sunk; there were two white men and Severall Lascars drowned.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 10TH.

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMISS: [GENLL]
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordered that Pags: one thousand be paid Mr: Thoms: Wright Provll: Paymaster to defray Garrison Charges. Ordered that Pags three hundred & fifty be paid Mr Wm ffraser Warehousekeepr: for buying of Presents.

1000 Pags orderd Mr Thos: Wright Pags 350 orderd Mr ffraser.

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash on accot: Sea Customes Pags: 2500.

Sea Customr pd into ye Comps Cash Pags 2500.

Mr Zouch Troughton read his accot: of Quitt Rents &ca: for Soe much as he had received on the 1st: Instant and paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 243:4: the ballance thereof, and he is order'd to deliver to Mr Snell his Successour a Coppy of Said accot: for his direction in the time when the Severall rents doe determine.

Mr Troughton read his accot: of the Quitt Rents.

The Scotch Point being soe bellyed out and Crack't, that it appears necessary to Pull it down and rebuild it to prevent it's falling in the next monsoon, and other parts of the ffortifications requireing much repaire, the Paymaster is ordered to make all the Provision he can of bricks, chinam and Iron Stone, and whereas he has formerly by order advanced Pags: four hundred to the Brickmakers, by which money they have allready finished eight kilns of bricks, he is ordered to advance to them more Pags two hundred (takeing their obligation) for their assistance in makeing more bricks.

The Scotch Point orderd to be pulled down and yt Mr Wright doe Pvide Chinam bricks & Iron Stone to rebuild it.

Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster read his accot: of ffebruary last which was past Errours Excepted perticulars of Charges being Vizt.

Paymaster read his accot for ffebruary wch was past Errours Excepted.

	Pa	fa	ca
Charges Garrison	900	15	—
Charges Generall	345	19	—
Charges Merchandize	21	4	—
Charges Cattle	6	20	—
Charges Extroardinary	1	24	—
Fortifications and repaires	21	17	—
Charges Dyett	534	17	—
West Coast	227	22	—
Pags:	2058	?0	—

J. GOLDSBOROUGH	WILL: FRASER
NAT: HIGGINSON	WM: HATSELL.
JO: DOLBEN	JAMES WHEELER.

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THURSDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMRY GENLL
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Storekeepr read his accots: for the months of Decembr Janury: & ffebruary.

Mr John Pitt Provisionall Storekeeper his accots for the Months of December, January and ffebruary last were read and past Errours Except [ed.]

The Presd accot Cash read and past Errours Except [ed].

The Presidents accot Cash for the months of ffebruary and March were read and past Errours Excepted the ballance being Vizt ffebruary Pa 5139 : March Pags : 9894 : 23 : 5.

Mr Mildmay Provll : Land Customer paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 680.

Mr Matthew Mildmay Provisionall Land Customer read his accot land Custome for the months of ffebruary and March, and paid into the Rt : Honble: Comps: Cash Pags : 680.

Pags 700 orderd to be pd the Store keeper.

Ordered that Pags: 700 be paid Mr Jno: Pitt Provll: Storekeepr: for discharging Charges of Ship Pearle.

Letter read & approv'd for Mr Daniel Acworth.

The Commissary read a letter he intends to send to Mr Daniel Acworth Resident for the Rt : Honble: Company in Rettura, which was approved.

Order'd that the ware-house-keepr. provide prests for Tonqueen to the value 700 pa.

The Warehouse keeper is ordered to provide the following things for Presents for Tonqueen Vizt.

Flower'd Mulmulls, Jamawars, Gold flowr'd Jamawars, Cossa's to the amot: of Pags: 200 : Long cloth Dutch Sallampores, and fine morees to the amot: of Pags: 200 Broad Cloth fine Scarlett Perpetuanoes and brimstone to the amot: 200 Pagods: Branch Corrall & Amber. Pa: 100 to be disposed of as occasion shall require, to the King Prince Manderines &ca: and if there shall not be occasion for presenting soe much the remaindr : may be sold.

Ordered that this Evening a survey be taken of the ffort and buildings therein.

Lieut : Seaton reprimanded for abuseing a black fellow.

Lieutenant Seaton being accused by Nina a bricklayer for forcibly takeing him to his house, and then tying his hands and drubbing him, the Parties being sent for, the matter of the accusation appear'd true, and Lieutenant Seaton this being the first time dismissed with a very strict admonition, & promise not to be guiltey of the like fault againe.

JO : GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 17TH.

Present

HIS EXCELL: S^{R}: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}: COMISS: GEN^{LL}:
THE HON^{BLE} NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R}: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The President read his acco^{t}: of the Mint for the months of ffebruary and March, which were past Errours Excepted the acco^{t}: of Custome for Gold coined in ffebruary being Pag^{s}: 63 : 28 fa: March Pag^{s}: 156 : 8 : and paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash on acc^{t}: of Custome Pag^{s}: 156 :

Presid^{t}: read his Accot of the Mint for ffebr: and March.

Muster of Ship Berkeley Castle made by Mr Pitt on the twenty first of March last is one hundred twenty seaven men liveing, the list whereof is ordered to be sent home to the R^{t}: Honble: Company.

Muster roll Ship Berkeley Castle orderd to be sent them.

Mr Gullock paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s}: 20 : as by order of Consultation of y^{e}: 18th of ffebrua^{ry}: last.

Mr Tho: Gullock pd into ye Honble Comps Cash pa: 20.

Upon a view of the Garrison the Scotch Point appears to be soe bellyed out & Crack't from top to bottom that 'tis necessary to Pull down the North Side & rebuild It. Allsoe the faces of the walls allround are bare & the bricks want to be cover'd wth Chinam & the Pavements of all the Points & Curtaines much worn & defective, but the Irish Point soe bad that the whole Pavement must be taken up and new laid, the Paymaster is ordered to haste these necessary reparations.

Paym^{rs} oder'd to make preparations of Chinam, bricks &c^{a}: to repaire the ffortifications.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^{M}: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Dispatch't a letter to the Worp^{ll}: Adrian Visser Cheif of Pollicatt dated the 15th: Instant. 17.

The Boatswain and fourteen more of Capt: ffreaks men who came overland from Trincomber, came this day and made their complaint to the Commissary of the hard usage they had recd: from their Captaine.

Ship Samuel Capt: ffreake Commander arrived in this Road. 19.

Briggantine Gingerlee William Martin Master belonging to the R^{t}: Honble: Company arrived from Bengall Laden wth: wheat &c^{ca}: and brought a Generall dated March the 4th :

Atcheen Merchant Briggantine Anth: Pennistone M^{r}, arrived from ffort St David from whence he brought 87 of the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Bales.

Rec^{d}: a Generall from ffort S^{t}: David dated the 15th: Inst. with an acco^{t}: of Expences and revenues.

Dispatch't a Generall to ffort St David of ditto date : and one of the same date from his Excellency S^{r}: Jno: Goldsborough to the Honble: Lawrence Pitt Govr: of Negapatam.

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THURSDAY 20TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

87 bales wch came from ffort St David orderd to be traversed aboard Berkeley Castle.

Ordered that the 87 Bales recd: from ffort St David by Capt: Pennistones Briggantine be traversed aboard the Berkeley Castle, onely ten bales which their Generall advises to be wett in lading, are to be brought ashoare, and if occasion require to be rewashed and repacked.

156 Slabbs of lead & Provis: &ca orderd to be unladed from Gingerlee Brigganline.

Ordered that 156 slabbs of Lead, and Bengall Provisions and Packing Stuffe, be unladen from the Gingerlee Briggantine.

Capt: ffreake acknowledges the receipt on board of 50 tons of Lead belonging to the Honble Compa: but refuses to deliver it.

Capt Ffreake orderd to give reasons for not delivering ye Compas: lead in writing.

The Ship Samuel being yesterday arrived Capt: Freake was sent for, and being asked what Goods or treasure he received aboard his ship in England for accot: of the Rt: Honble: Company, he answered nothing but 50 Tonns of Lead, whereof 2½ Piggs he has disposed of whereupon the secretary was order'd to deliver him an order for unladeing it: but he Alledged that he hath bought the Ship and Goods of the ffrench, and paid for it with his own money, and therefore do's disowne that the lead doth now belong to the Company, and refuses to deliver it but by force. Capt: ffreake was thereupon ordrd: to deliver his answer the reasons of his refusall in writing, which he promised to doe.

Capt: Hides answer to Mrs Nixs Complaint.

Mrs Nix setting forth in a Petition that Capt Hide and shee could not agree about her Passage [with] her Children for England on his Ship Berkely Castle: Capt: Hide being sent for declared to us that he gave Mrs Nix three day's time to Consider of her intention of goeing on his Ship, and that she gave noe answer to him in seaven or eight day's, in which time he had agreed wth: Mrs: Waltrope, who hath the accomodation Mrs Nix might have had, and that he hath now noe conveniency left, nor can he carry provisions and water for more passengers, haveing allready eight agreed with: besides a full Ships Company, and a long Voyage in hand.

Noe mention made of any bill of lading Invoice or Charterparty for Ship Samuel in any of the Genll: letters.

Upon peruseall of the lists: of the Pacquetts by the Sampson, Berkeley Castle and Charles the Second and the Generall letters by ditto Ships, and the Samuel we find noe mention of any bill of lading Invoice or Charterparty for Ship Samuel: nor any mention of anything sent by her, onely in the 18th Paragraph of the Samuel's Generall, are these words [wee send you noe stock by this Ship because you want none haveing hastned her out before the rest to give you advice] and Capt: ffreake declares that when he was attacked by ye ffrench he threw the Packett overboard, soe that we have here nothing whereon to ground our demand on Capt: Freake but his own accknowledgement.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 24TH.

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordered that Pagds: one thousand be paid the Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison &ca: — Pags: 1000 paid Mr. Thoms: Wright Provll: Paymaster.

Capt: Walthrops widdow paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 26 permission for Passage on Ship Berkeley Castle and Mr John Biggs on the 11th past both which haveing formerly obtained leave for Passage were permitted to be noted in Consultation in due time. — Mrs: Walthrope & Mr Biggs paid their permission for Passage on Ship Berkeley Castle.

Mr William ffraser Warehousekeeper Read accots: for ye month of ffebruary last which was past Errours Excepted. — Warehousekeept: read his accot: ffebruary last.

Mrs Nicks paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 26 for Permission of passage on the Berkeley Castle, as ℔ Consultation of the 6th: Instant. — Mrs Nicks pd her Permission of Passage on ye Berkeley Castle.

The Generall letters from Bengall of the 20th: ffebruary sent by Sta Cruze to the Commissary desireing us to receive Rups 646 : 7a: 3p : of Mr: Watts for soe much they find due from him by their Decca Genll: Books: Mr: Watts was sent for, and ordered to give his answer thereunto in writing, the Agent &ca: not haveing sent any accot: of perticulars. — Mr Watts ordered to his answer Concerning rups 646 [7 : 3 :] wch he stands Dr in the Decca Books.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Gave a Pass to ship Happy Returne Thomas Gullock master, belonging to John Afflack &ca: Inhabitants of this Citty.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 27TH.

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR: WILLIAM FFRASER MR: WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 3000 on accot: Sea Custome. — Sea Customr pd into the Rt: Honble Comps Cash Pags: 3,000.

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Presidt desires Yt Mr. ffrasers charge may be defered till [his own] difference wth Compa [were ended].

President Yale being not very well, and in regard that the matters of his Charge against Mr: Ffraser were long, and would take up a great deale of time to examine, desired that it might be defer'd till another time, and that the matters in difference between him and the Rt: Honble: Company were first ended: but Mr ffraser desired wee might goe on and end it.

Genll Lre to Mr Noden.

Generall Lr̃e to Phillip Noden of this date read & approved.

Ordd that Vincattee Fort St. David Dubash pay into ye Coms. Cash pa: 49 [for severall] [dues].

Ordered that Vin[c]attee the ffort St: David Dubash pay into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 49: being soe much found recd from Merchts: upon sale of Broad cloth & Corrall, & from other persons Serving the Rt: Honble: Compa: according to the accot: thereof made in the particular Examination of his case, & upon Payment thereof he is to be discharged of his bale.

An addition ordered [to be] made to Presidt Higginson Indentures.

President Higginson producing the Indentures sent out by the Rt: Honble: Company to be sign'd by him, and takeing notice that in the body thereof is expressed a totall prohibition of all trade in India in the goods mention'd, whereas in all former Indentures, and those sent out by the same ship, the prohibition of tradeing in these Com̃oditys is not [in India] but [to and from India] and the Rt. Honble: Company haveing never in any Generall letter or otherwise, signifyed that Intention of limitting the Presidents from trade in India, more then their other servants, Wee are of opinion, that the same did proceed onely from a mistake in the transcriber, and therefore doe approve of the following addition to be made in the Indenture to be signed, as it is drawn by the Judge & that the Coppy thereof be endorsed on the Counterpart vizt.

Provided all waies, & it is hereby declared to be ye true Intent & meaning of both Parties that whereas ye: said Nath: Higginson hath by these Presents for himselfe, his heires, Executrs: & administrars: Covenanted & promised that he will not during ye term of ye sd service directly, or indirectly in his own name or ye name of any other [person] trade or Deale in the Severall Commodities in the body hereof before specified, that the same is to be understood to have relation only to dealing or trading in the said goods from Europe to India, or from India to Europe, and no otherwise: and that it is [and] may be lawfull for the said Nath: Higginson, now and [att] all times dureing the said service, to use and enjoy ye same Liberties and priviledges of trade that are granted & indu[lged] to the rest of the Servants belonging to the Said Governour and Company.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

FFRIDAY 28TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COM̃ISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Examination of Eram [Rasa] &ca read & signed.

The Examination of Eram Rause and Mullapa's Charge against Vincattee ffort St David Dubash, together wth: Rama Linga the Mint Braminy, Gruapa expence Braminy, & Bundy Vincetadre Cheif Peon was read and signed.

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Whereas Severall of this years ships bound hither went first into Bengall, by which means severall ffactors and writers that are first named in the list came last hither. It is ordered that they shall all take their standing in order as they are named in the list, without regard to the difference of time of their arrivall both now and hereafter.

Orderd that all ye ffactors who came out in this [bet] [take] place as they stand in ye list.

The account of the reall remaines taken for the 1st October 1692, being Examined and Valued, It is ordered that the Generall Books KK. ending Ult°: September 1692, be ballanced conforme thereunto and that if there be any difference between the reall remains, and the remains arriseing from the booke acco^{t}: Mr Betts is ordered to produce a list thereof in Consultation, that he may receive order for adjusting thereof.

Mr Betts ordered to draw a list of the difference between real remains & ye remains missing from ye books.

And because the said Books KK : are not finished, and probably will not be before y^{e}: departure of the Berkeley Castle, there appearing in ballancing thereof Candy 226 of Lead, oz: 2149 of silver remaining by the books, more then the real remains and severall others of the same nature which have arrisen from former Books, and are very difficult to be found out and adjusted, therefore the accomptant is ordered to begin Books LL : with the said acco^{t}: of reall remaines.

the accomptt: orderd to begin books LL, wth ye acco^{t} [of]real remaines.

The Mussulas haveing been in September last Numbred to No. 25, but there haveing been many Mussula's added since, which have not been numbred the Sea Customer is ordered to take care that a Number be made upon each Boat and that by every boat [y^{t}] carry's or brings Goods, a note be sent with the No : of the boat and the boat Conicoply to enter the same in his acco^{t} : w^{ch} : order if observed, will be a good means to prevent the boat mens stealing, w^{ch}: is so much complained of, or to find out those that steal.

The Sea Customr orderd to take care y^{t} all ye Mussulas be numbered.

The second Mr Dolben producing a list of sala[ry] Payable 25th March last wherein is entered £100 ℘ annum payable to him in India as Judge Advocate, and 100£ payable halfe in India as Second, the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: not haveing given their orders concerning it. It is by Mr Dolben humbly refered to their Hon^{rs}: Pleasure, & in the mean time it is ordered that his salary be paid as aforesaid. Sr John Biggs haveing the same allowance as Judge Advocate, and Mr Dolben haveing entered into Indentures wth: the R^{t}: Honble: Company as their servant in mercantile affairs, and appointed in the last Commission, to succeed in degrees of Councill as mortality requires.

Mr Dolben refers himself to ye Honble Compa: concerning ye Paymt, of his salary as Second.

Mr William Thompson haveing refused to doe the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: businesse as required of him by Consultation 19th December, when he required to be discharged, and hath withdrawn himselfe from their service, by his own Petition delivered in Consultation January the 30th: ordered that his salary be paid him to the 19th December last and no more.

Mr Thompsons sallary to be paid but till ye 19 Decemb last.

Mr Thomas Yale, Daniel Dubois, John Focquet and Joseph Chapman, being Indebted to the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a} : It is ordered that their Salary be not paid, but carryed to their Credit in acco^{t}.

Mr Yale, Dubois Focquet sallary not to be pd but carried to their Credit in acco^{t}.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
M^{R} : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Received a Generall from ffort S^{t}: David dated 25th ditto.

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May 1. Two small Dutch Vessells arrived from Tegnapatam and brought a letter from Governour Pitt dated May the 9th S. N.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

Tuesday 2.

HIS EXCELL SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT : COMISS : GENLL :
THE HONBLE NATH : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSEL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Warehousekeepr Ordered to buy as much Cotton as will fitt ye Chest of Tonqueen Chair frames.

The Warehousekeeper haveing represented to us that the Chests of lacquered frames from Tonqueen have much empty room in them, and a parcell of Cotton thread offering at Pags : 31–18 fa : ℘ Candy, tho : dearer than has been formerly bought, yett as cheap as can be now gott. It is ordered that the warehouse keeper doe buy as much as is sufficient to fill the chests, takeing care that it be truely Sorted.

Upon perusall of the Generall Lre : from ffort St : David dated the 25th of Aprill, adviseing that Rama Rajah was comeing from Tanjore towards Chingee wth 20,[000 horse] and they have reason to suspect he intends to come into their Bounds, and therefore propose that a Present be sent to meet him att Porto Novo, Vincatte being the most experienced man in that Countrey and pla[ce] for a Cheif Dubash, is ordered forthwith to be sent thither to assist Mr Haynes in this matter, who is of opinion that money is the best Present for those People, rather then rarities, or any other goods, except two pieces of scarlett, which the Warehousekeeper is ordered to send and that if Ram Rajah shall come, not to exceed 500 [Pags] to himselfe and servants.

Ordered that Pags : 1320 : 34 fa: be paid to Presidt :Higginson for salt Petre Candy 146 : 15 : 11 : bought by him of severall persons at pa 9 ℘ Candy for the Berkeley Castle which thô much dearer price then has been sold att other years, yett is at least as cheap as ye present markett.

Ordered that Mr Wheeler draw out accot of all things recd and sent between Tonqueen & ffort St George for 4 or 5 years last past, to be delivered to Mr Watts &ca.

Thursday 4. Some of Capt Frekes men by Petition making many complaints of their Captain, It is refer'd to Judge Dolben to examine and report the matter to us.

Mr Watts answer concerning his Debt in the De[cca] Books, order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer read his accot of Sea Custome for the month of february last, which was passed Errours Excepted particulars Vizt

		Pa :	fa :	ca :
To the Balance of last Months accot		2399 :	18 :	29 :
To the amot : of Goods Imported & Exported this month	Pag :	1830 :	10 :	31 :
To Grain as ℘ perticulars	„	599 :	2 :	42 :
To Accot : anchorage &ca :	„	64 :	—	—
		2493 :	12 :	73 :
Deduct for an overcharge	„	6 :	12 :	5 :
				2487 — 68
				Pags : 4886 : 13 : [96]

Capt Anthony Pennistone who married the Daughter : and onely Child and Administratrix of Jonathan Unkettle deceased demands 557 [$] and 44d, which by the Indrapore Cash accot: appear paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps : Cash at Indrapore on the West Co[a]st of Sumatra, to Mr Hamond Gibbon Cheif there the 20th of July

1689; ordered that Capt: Pennistone give his bond with Security to the Rt Honble Company, to remaine with the Presidt: that if the Rt: Honble: Company shall have paid [...] in England or any part thereof, that then he or [...] will repay it to the President here for the use of the Rt Honble: Company which bond when taken the same is to be paid after the[rate] of ten Pags: for sixteen Dollers, which amounts to the sume of three hundred fortey eight Pags: twenty one fanams.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NATH: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Haveing perused a Clause of a Generall letter from the Rt: Worpll: Agent &ca Councill of Bengall wherein they advise me to be Dr Rupees 646, it soe standing in the Decca Books; tis extreamly surpriseing to me since sometime after my arrivall from Decca which was in December 1686, when Mr Eyre made up the Books to the time of my leaving the place, I then stood debtor but in or about the sume of 110 Rups: which not according wth: my accot: presume the difference might arise from som mistake in the expence Braminy's accots: but never seeing him since, depriv'd me of makeing any further scrutiny into ye: matter this is all and what I know, in relation to this affaire.

RICHARD WATTS.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM FFRASER MR WM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The office of Town Conicoply appearing to us of noe necessity to be continued, It is ordered that the Attorney Generall doe put for the Cowle for it into suit in the Admiralty Court and try the validity thereof.

Judge Dolben requesting that two hundred and fortey Pags: granted by Judgement of Court unto Violante Tutlee widdow, may be for her use placed in the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash at Interest. It is order'd to be recd: accordingly for six months at nine ℘ Cent Interest.

Rangia Chittee paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 780: 7 fañ: being the Ballance of the Principle debt for Corrall.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Bencoolen Mercht: Wm: Griffin Master arriv'd from fort St: David wth: 21 Bales 10 Candy of Match, wood &ca: and brought a Generall dated the [*lacuna in the original*] Instant.

Ship Speedwell Wm: Hock Master arrived from the Mala [bar] Coast Laden wth: Pepper, belonging to Mr: Stylemen &ca: Inhabitants of this Citty.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRYDAY 5TH.

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMIS GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLM: FFRASER MR WILLM: HATSELL
MR: JAMES WHEELER.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper doe travers twenty one ffort St: David Bales long cloth & Salamp: from the Bencoolen on Board the Berkeley Castle and hasten to unlade the wood, Match, and freight goods, soe that the ship may be sold on Monday the 15th: Instant by outcry, for which purpose he is ordered to sett a bill on the sea gate, and the storekeeper is order'd to take care that a true list of her stores be taken forthwith and that five Gunns be brought ashoare for the use of the Garrison.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 8TH.

HIS EXCELL. SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMIS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Assay Master reports the assay of five fan of ffort St David deliver'd him the 29th past to be 4¼ Matt.

Capt: Burton being sent for and accquainted that from the yeare 1688, he stands Dr upon our Generall Books unto Messrs Salway and Navarr Pags 276: 13: 5: ballance of an accot: of Thea belonging to ye Generall of Amoy, brought by him from thence in 168$\frac{6}{7}$ he was ordered to give in his answer thereunto on Thursday next.

Capt Freke gave in writing a proposall that he would deliver the Rt Honble Comps: lead if wee would give him bond jointly and severally to pay him not only for the lead if it should prove to be his in law, when he com to England, but also to make good what damage he shall have sustain'd by the delivery of the said lead; or at least what advance he might reasonably make of his money home to England and that wee would lend him money to Gun and fitt his ship &ca: (wch: Paper is entred next after this Consultation) wch: proposalls were rejected by us except what follow them which is what he requires about his men, wee are ready to assist him in any thing that is reasonable, to return them to their duties, and for money we are willing to doe what the Charter party obliges.

Capt: Anthony Pennistone delivered a Bond wth: security in persuance of the order of Consultation of the 2d Inst: order'd that Pags: 348 : 21 fa : be paid him.

Ordered that Pags: one thousand be paid Mr. Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Judge Dolben paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pâgs: 400 in full of a judgement of Court agst: Anco.

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Ordered that Pags : 72 : 27 fans: be paid Capt: Anthony Pennistone for freight of 87 bales and 10 Candy of Match from Fort St : David.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER :

The Proposalls of Mr Wm: Freke Comandr of the Ship Samuell now Riding at anchor: in Madrass Road to his Excellency Sr: Jno: Goldsborough Knt: Commissry: General, the Honble Nath : Higginson Esqr: President the Worll : John Dolben &ca : Councill this 8 day of May 1693.

May it please Your Excellency &ca:

Whereas there is an action entred against me ye said Wm ffreke in the Court of Admiralty and Comon Plea's of Madrass on the Coast of Chormandell in East India, whereof the said Worpll: John Dolben Esqr: is Judge Advocate and [. . .] Mr James Wheeler Justices Assistants for a parcell of lead laden by the Rt : Honble : English East India Company on board said ship Samuell at the Port of London, to be delivered at the aforesaid Port of Madrass or ffort St George, to their Assignes there, and whereas also as well the Said Ship, as the said lead wth : what elce was in the said ship was on the 15th of July last, on this side Cape Good Hope (after a hott dispute) taken by the Admiral of the French India ffleet (who have open wars wth : us English) and continued in their Possession fiftey four hours, whereby not onely the ship Samuell, but what was in her became a lawfull prize to the Captors, and whereas furthermore I the said Wm: ffreke either through the Generosity of my Enimy, or by my own intercession to them did for the sume of two hundred Pounds Sterling, or my Bond for the said same, wth : hostages delivered for the secure payment thereof, Purchase as well the said Ship, as what lead and elce was left in her (after the French had plundered her of what they thought worth the takeing) for my proper accot :, wch: lead being demanded of me in Court as aforesaid, I the said William ffreke doe hereby tender the same, on the conditions following Vizt :—

1. That Your Excellency Presidt: &ca: Councill will upon delivery of said lead give me their own proper obligacon Jointly and severally in behalfe of the Rt Honble Compa: or some other Sufficient security not only to repay me ye amot : of Said lead if it shall prove by the laws of England to be my proper Estate after such Caption and Purchase as is aforesaid : but shall alsoe make good what Damage I shall prove to have sustein'd by the delivery of such lead, or at least what advance I might reasonably make of my money home to England.

2. That your Excellency &ca: will also upon delivery of such lead lend me the said William ffreke on the ships accot : at the usuall rate of the Country such Sums of money as will be necessary to Gunn, Victuall, fitt, and defray the Charges of ship Samuell as aforesaid, for a Voyage to [. . .] and when soe fitted will alsoe lade her for England by the twentyeth of January next ensueing.

3. That your Excell &ca : will order that such of my men (that left me at Trincombar) as I shall approve of may be obliged to returne to their respective [ports] and the remainder may be secured and sent home to England, that I may be indempnified from my Charter party, if such there be in force against me.

Lastly that none of the foregoeing Conditions or proposalls may in any wise whatsoever through inadvertency of, and unexperience in the law exclude me from my just right and title, if so be yt: I have any to said ship, lead &ca so Purchased as aforesaid.

PR : MR : WM : FREKE.

10th. Ship Mahomodo Alle Serang from Arracan.

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THURSDAY 11.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELLY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMRY: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR. JUDGE ADVOCATE.
MR: WILLIAM FRASER. MR: WILLM: HATSELL.
MR: JAMES WHEELER.

Rangia Chittee paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags: 332 : 4 fa : in full of Interest due for accot: Corrall, whereupon his Contract dated the 28th of January 1691 for said Corrall was delivered him and the Warehousekeeper is ordered to deliver him the Corrall remaining in the Godowne.

The Bengall Generall to the Commissary Generall, dated 16 ffebry [. . .] adviseing that wee are to receive of Mr Richard Trenchfeild Rups 3843: 7a: 6p: for soe much transfer'd by them to accot: Currt: London in their Generall Books ending 30th Aprill 1691, but mention no perticulars by which Do Trenchfeild is Chargeable, and an accot: recd: here from Bengall in December 1691, dated ye 3d of November 1691. Wherein they charge Mr Trenchfeild wth: sundry perticulars, amot to rups 2407. Coppy whereof being deliver'd to him, in order to receive his answer he was now sent for and not being Prepared, was ordered to deliver it in writing on Monday next, and for ye overplus of the charge being Rups 1436: 7 : the Agent &ca of Bengall are to give us an Accot: of the Perticulars that Mr Trenchfeild may give answer thereunto.

The said Generall alsoe desireing Creditt for Rups: 4782 : 12 : 6: transfer'd to accot: Currt: London, for the Charges of repairing Madrass ffriggott formerly sent hither, but send us noe accot: of the Perticulars. It is ordered that the Secretary doe Search the Generall letters and papers recd from Bengall since the returning of Do: Ship from Bengall, to see if they have formerly sent such an acct and if not, that by next Generall letter to Bengall, the Agent &ca be desired to send a Coppy thereof, before the same be Entred in our Generall Books.

Ordered that the Generall Books, LL—doe determine on the usuall time 30th Aprill 1693, an Accot of reall remaines be againe taken for that time, wherein the Warehouskeeper is ordered to give an accot: of ye true weight tale and measure of all Goods in the Godown, there being some goods that have been transmitted from Warehouskeeper to Warehouskeeper by Book accot: only : by wch: means when the accot: of those Goods come to be ballanc'd it can't be found whence and where the difference between the reall remains and Book accot: arises and it is to be observed for Constant rule, that the Generall Books are to be ballan [ced] conforme to the reall remains, which are to be taken Yearly for the time when the Generall Books end.

There being noe Saddle of the Rt Honble Compas: fitt for the State horse, and one offering with suiteable furniture at 40 Pags: It is ordered to be bought.

Fanams being scarse, It is ordered that 500 Pags: silver be bought and coined into fanams.

The Rt: Honble: Companys Goods being all laden on Board the Berkeley Castle, the Warehouskeepr: is ordered to deliver a list thereof to the accomptant, whereby to draw the Invoice.

Ordered that on Monday next wee meet to read and Concert our generall advises to the Rt: Honble: Company, in the meantime the Secretary is order'd to draw out a list of all Books and Papers ready to be sent therewith.

And upon tryall it proveing not feasible to find out and adjust the differences between the Booke remains and reall remains of Generall Books K. K mentioned in Consultation of the 27th of Aprill 1693: time enough to send those Books by the Berkeley Castle, It is propounded whether to send them home as they are open and unbalanced, or to balance them by bringing the said differences to one head,

under which being carryed into the next books they may be at leasure concerted, & thereupon ordered that they be sent home ballanced after ye manner propounded.

Upon dispatch of the Pearle and sale of ship Bencoolen, there being little businesse for a storekeeper, It is ordered that Mr Pitts doe deliver over to the warehouskeeper all the Rt Honble Comps: Stores under his Charge, whose accot: for the same shall Comenc[e] from the first Instant, and that a true accot: of the reall remains may be stated at the time the delivery is to be made by weight and tale, whereof an accot: to be rendred, as soon as finished in Consultation, and thereupon an appointment may be made of what shall be reserved for stores, and what sold at prises stated, the accot: to be rendred in his monthly accot: Vizt both of what sold and what issued out for the use of the Rt Honble Comps ships, as occasion [might] require, which issues are to be made only upon bills drawn by the Paymaster, who is ordered to doe all the rest of the businesse, usually perform'd by the Storekeeper and is to pay all wages & disbursemts: on ships, and render accot: of the Gunners and Armore[r]s Monthly transactions.

Capt: Burton Producing Messrs: Salway and Navars discharge under their hands for that Matter for which he stands Indebted in our books, with a declaration of the Circumstances of the occasion from which it arose, Mr Wheeler is ordered to examine and report the state of the Case.

The Mayor and Aldermen haveing sent us ye last Consultation day by the Register an order passed in their Court Concerning weights desireing our confirmation thereof, the same is approved and ordered to be entred next after this Consultation, adding to the said order that all weights be examined once a Quarter, Vizt: on the first Tuesday of the months of June, September, December and March, and the fines for defects to be imposed by the Court of Mayor and Aldermen not exceeding ten Pagds: for any one fault, and be applyed onely to the use of the Corporation.

And it is further ordered that the Rt Honble Comps: weights used at the Sea Side, Choultry & Godown be adjusted at the same times, by the Choultry Justice they calling the officer appointed by the Court, & giveing notice to the Mayor either to be present himselfe, or send others of the Court if they see cause.

And all Inhabitants of this place are requir[ed] to permitt the officer thereunto appointed, att all times when he sees cause, to Examine their weight[s] and upon complaint made by him to the Mayor of refusall, the Mayor and Aldermen may lay [such] fine upon the refuser (if proved) as for default in weig[ht].

The like orders to be observed for the adjust[ing] of all sorts of Liquid and dry Measures, Coveds &ca used in the buzars, and for the Rt Honble Comps Mercalls.

And the Mayor and Aldermen are desired to Consider of what allowance is fitt to be made [by] owners of weights and measures to the Officer for his pains and Encouragement.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Whereas severall Complaints have been made yt: the weights within the jurisdiction of this Corporation are falce and very uncertain to the great prejudice of trading, 'tis therefore ordered and agreed on by the Mayor and Court of Aldermen, that all the Europe weights belonging to this place be made according to the standard that is used in London, and all the weights of this Country by what name soever they may be called, if found defective and wanting in their true weight shall be fined for the same, and all the Said weights when amended shall have the chop

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or marke of [*lacuna in I.O. copy*] Stamp'd upon them, and all weights are to be examined once a quarter, Vizt: on the first Tuesday in the months of June, September, December, and March, and the fines for defects to be Imposed by the Mayor and Court of Aldermen, not exceeding ten Pags: for any one fault, and be applyed only to the use of the Corporation.

Ordered that John Brown Clerke of the Market do take care that the same be forthwith put in Execuc̃on and truely perform'd, and when done the Mayor with two of the Aldermen will see that the weights be just and true according to the meaning of this Order.

SATTERDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMIS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer paid into ye Rt Honble Comps: Cash Pags: 2000 on accot: Sea Custome.

Commission and Instructions to Mr Richard Watts Cheif &ca Councill for Tonqueen, read sign'd and delivered, also the despatch to Capt: James Howell Commander of the Pearle both of this days date.

Mr Richard Watts paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags: 32 : being for Rups 112 wch : is so much as he owns to be due of the 646 charged by the Agent &ca: Councill of Bengall to his accot: upon the Balance of the Decca Books.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

Ship Salomodo from Bengall.
Ship Johanna John Bunt Master from Do: place.

MONDAY 15.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISSARY GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM FFRASER MR WM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Nath: Tredcroft requesting bills of Exchange on the Rt: Honble: Company for Pags: 574, now paid into their Cash here, for accot: La: Johnson, payable [to] Sr Thoms: ffowls at 9s ℔ Pagdo, the same is granted.

Accot: salary payable in India for halfe a yeare ending the 25th of March last, amot: to pags: 1325 fa: ca: agreed and ordered to be paid, and that the salary pay[able] to Mr Thomas Yale, Mr Daniell DuBois, Mr John Focquett and Joseph Chapman being Debtors on accot: to the Rt Honble Company be brought to the Creditt of their accot: amot: Pags: 65 : 6 : 4. The Paragraph 36, 57 & 75 of the Generall letter from the Rt Honble Compa; by the Dorothy dated the 18th february 1690, haveing ordered that no Cloth be turn'd back upon the Merchts hands, but takein in upon fitt abatement for all defects and upon the Warehouskeepers haveing finish'd

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the sorting and Embaleing of the Cloth brought in by the merchants on the last Contract, notwithstanding our late order of the 13th: ffebruary, there remains still Cloth to the amount of bales 28 reported by the sorters to be such as cannot out of them make any one bale of a Sort, and to the amount of 40 bales of turn'd out Cloth, and the Commander of ye: Berkeley Castle haveing declared that his ship wants above 20 Tons of being full. It was considered whether it was best to fill up the said tonnage wth: Redwood or wth: said Cloth, if wee can bring the Merchants to a reasonable abatement, and resolved in ye affirmative for the latter. In order whereunto the Merchants were Sent for, and demanded of them what price they did aske for the turn'd out Cloth, they gave noe other answer, then that they leave it to us.

The Debt of Pags: 276 : 13 : 5 : due from Capt: Henry Burton by ballance of our Generall Books, not appearing clear by the report of Mr James Wheeler appointed lately to inspect it, It is ordered that the Attorney Generall doe sue Dr: Burton in the Court of Admiralty for the same.

In the afternoon goeing to the Godowne, upon view of the Cloth, It is ordered that the Sorters doe Sort all the cloth in the Godowne, by the numbers of goodness allready stated & agreed, without regard to the marks of shortnesse in length and breadth, out of which the embaler is order'd to make up in the same bale, (when there is occasion for it) Cloth of different marks of shortnesse, and the Sorters are as they Sort to observe the Cloth wch: they turne out as below the numbers allready stated, throwing by only such pieces as they find throughout the whole piece were open [. . .] fraid, thin or otherwise grossely defective, by holes stains [. . .] and the residue to place all together in a heap (Vizt) Long cloth, Salampores and Ginghams, each in a seperate heap) which when done it is agreed that wee meet ag[ain . . .] att the Godowne, and upon View thereof State a price with the merchants.

J. Goldsborough.
Nat: Higginson.
Jo: Dolben.
Will: Fraser.
Wm: Hatsell.
James Wheeler.

Att a Consultation — Thursday 18th.

Present

His: Excell Sr: John Goldsborough Knt: Comissry: Genll:
The Honble Nath; Higginson Esqr President
John Dolben Esqr: Judge Advocate
Mr William Hatsell Mr James Wheeler.

Judge Dolben reports from the Admiralty Court yt: Capt: Freake haveing a Cause determined there between the Rt Honble Company and himselfe about 50 Tons of lead of the Rt Honble Comps: laden in England, wch: the said Capt: refused to deliver according to Charterparty Capt: Freake flew out into scurrillous language against the Gover[n]ment here, and the authority and justice of the Court, upon wch: ye: Judge gave him a Civill Caution to be more moderate, but when the decree of the Court was pronounc'd against him, and an appeale wch: he tender'd rejected, he repeated his scurrilous expressions, Vizt: that he had behaved himselfe like a man, and was used like a beast, that he knew before he came he should have noe justice here, but would have it in another place, upon wch: the Judge ordered him to be taken into Custody, which the officer goeing to doe he Cocking his hatt layd his hand upon his Sword, and turning upon the Court in that posture said that in England he was as good a man as Judge Dolben thô not here, holding up his hand in a threatning Posture swore he should meet him there where he would

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have satisfaction, upon which the Judge seeing the Capt: of the Guard present in Court, ordered him to take him & Carry him to the Cock-house, but sent the Cryer after him and ordered him to be secured in the ffort since which two days agoe Capt: Ffreke came to the Commissary of his own accord all alone, and said his ship was in danger by one Cable being broke and the other wanting servis, the Commissary told him the best way to secure the ship would be to sett himselfe at liberty by acknowledging his Errour in Court, and asking Pardon of the Court and Judge, to wch : he reply'd, he never would doe it as long as he had breath in his body, with many vindications of himselfe and expressions of Inveteracy.

Ordered that he be Continued under confinement in the ffort till further order.

This Day Nicholas Randall made a request for leave to assigne the lease of the Rt Honble Comps: Garden to Charles Tainter, there being seaven years to come of the same at Pags: 80 ℘ annõ : the said Charles Tainter offering Mr William Ladd to be security for the rent and ℘formance of the Covenants in the lease, wch: was granted and they ordered to bring their bond to the President for performance accordingly.

Ordered upon Capt: Frekes request that none of ye sea men belonging to the Samuell, be permitted to goe in the service of any other ship, and if any of them hath allready entred themselves upon any other ship, the Commanders of such ships, are ordered not to permit them to proceed, and the Secretary is ordered to fix this order on the Sea Gate.

Ordered that one thousand Pags; be delivered Mr Stone to buy silver to coin fanams, they being scarse that the Paymaster cannot procure enough [to] pay the charges of the Garrison.

Ordered that Pags: 155: 6 fa: be paid Mr William H [atsell] for three butts of wine bought by order of Capt: Hide in ffebruary last, for the West Coast, ffort St: David and this Place.

Ordered that Mr Wilson one of Capt: Ffrekes Mate be ordered to look after the safety of the ship dureing the obstinacy of the Capt.

The Presidt read his accot: Cash for the Month of Aprill last, the ballance being Pags 13528: 9: 3: & acct: [. . .] of the Mint Custome for Do: Month for coining of particular gold Pag 549 [oz :] ½ at halfe ℘ Cent amot: to: Pags 274: [. . . .].

In the afternoone the Commissary sent for Capt: Freke, and by him understood his willingness to subm[it] and ask pardon of the Councill, for what he had said amiss against the Government, and the Judge, upon which Capt: Freke withdrew till the Councill w[ere] m[e]t, and then before the Commissary and President and Councill, did declare that he did submitt & w [as] sorrey for what he had said amiss of the Gove[rn]ment and the Judge, and asked pardon upon wch: he w[as] dismissed from any further Confinement in the ffort and gave an order to his Mate to deliver the Rt Honble Comps: Lead, as Boats should be sent for the same. At the time he withdrew from the Commissary when the Councill was calling, he went and gave Judge Dolben a protest against him and the Commissary for his Confinement, which protest is entred next after Consultation.

Capt: Freke's Cheif Mate brought a Note from the Capt: to the Commissary about his being cleared from their ship wch: note is here entred next after [consultation] to which answer was given that we were not [concerned] in that matter, It lay between the Capt: and [. . .] the order given by Capt: Freke about delivering th[em] was in these words.

MR WILSON.

When Boats come of for th[em] you may deliver it, but be sure you doe not do[e] much without you receive ballast.

Yors WM: FR[EKE.]

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Fort St George,
May ye 18th 1693.

Emaun Cooley haveing wrote in his last letter to the Commissary, that he had expended 70 Rups: in Cooley hire for carrying our Presents to Zulphaker Cawn and Assid Cawn, occasioned partly by Assid Cawns being removed much further, and partly by the Cool[eys] running away who were sent from hence for that p[urpose] wch: he desires may be paid to his family here, the Pay[master] is ordered to pay the same, towards which he has[already] recd: back of the Batty impressed to the Cooleys Pags: 8: [32] the remainder is to be charged to accot: Presents.

Many of the Inhabitants of this Place haveing built their houses soe as to make the streets very uneven and irregular, It is ordered that no [house] be built without leave first obtained of the Gov[ernor] who is to take care that fitt persons be sent to vi[ew] and lay out the place of building, and if any [one] shall hereafter act contrary to this order, the[houses] soe built shall be pulled Downe and this [order] is to be placed on the Choultry Gate in Gentue Moores and Malabar Languages, and [further published] by Tom Tom.

THE PROTEST OF WM: FREKE COMMANDR OF THE SHIP SAMUELL AGAINST HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT:. COMMISSARY GENLL: AND JOHN DOLBEN ESQR.

Whereas on Satterday last past the 13th Inst. I Wm: Ffreke Commandr:, and now sole owner of the Ship Samuell was upon some dispute in the Court of Admiralty of Madrass, between myselfe and said John Dolben Judge of the Court, wch: rose upon an Erroneous Judgement given in the said Court against me the said Wm: Freke, by the said John Dolben, for a parcell of Lead laden by the Rt: Honble: English East India Company, at the Port of London, to be delivered to their Assignes here in Madrass aforesaid, the Property whereof I fully proved to be altered by a Capture of the said ship, with what was in her, by a ffrench Man of Warr on this side Cape Good Hope, wth: their sale of the same (what by them plundered only Excepted) as by records of said Court, relation being thereunto had may more at large appear by reason of wch: said dispute, and my the said Wm: Frekes eager, yet just defending my own right, the Said John Dolben order'd me the said Wm: Freke to close Prison, with a guard of officers and soldiers (usage more befitting fellons and Murtherers, than one who[hath] adventured not only his Estate, but even life in defence of his Countrys' honour and Good, as by the Certificates of my very Enimies will appeare I have done) but after my being taken out of Court by officers and soldiers aforesaid, the said John Dolben either, upon better Consideration, or the advice of his Assistant Commanded me to be kept on the Main Guard, [where] wth: much patience I remained till Tuesday noon, the 16th Instant, supposing the said John Dolbens [passion might then] be [ass] waged, att wch: time I then [represented to him the dangerous] condition of my [ship Samuel occasioned by my confinement] & not be[eing able to look after it as I might were I at li]berty. [ ] Upon which he the said John Dolben returned [in] answer that I was not his but his Excellency Sr: John Goldsborough Knts: prisoner, and whereas in [the] evening I applyed myselfe to his Excellency the said Sr: John Goldsborough for my enlargement, that [I] might be able to take care of, and relieve my said [ship] wch: lyes in soe dangerous a Condition in the Road, for want of Cables, and necessaries to preserve the Cables [. . .] she now hath, the one whereof is allready broken[ ] and the other little better, by which means ye saf[ety] of the said Ship is to be doubted, Meerly for want of my being att liberty to provide such things as are necessary for her, who return'd me this answer, that [I] had Publickly affronted the Court, and must acknowledge my Errour Publickly, thereby to procure my enlargement, to which I answered I knew of no aff[ront] given, save the defending of my own right, and when [ ] the said John Dolben called me Jackanape, or [small] sack, I told him that thô not in Court nor here, yet [in] England or any where elce, I was as good as he the [said] John Dolben, therefore could My most of all them

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[not] accknowledge my [selfe] in Errour, Wherefore I the said Wm: Freke Commandr of the Ship Samuell aforesaid, for myselfe heirs, Exe[cutors] & Administratrs first against you the said John Dolben for your unjust and illegall confining of me, & keeping me from my lawfull occasions, and alsoe again[st] Your Excellency Sr John Goldsborough for your [continu]ing me in prison after my application to [you] made for an enlargement, do protest in the fu[ll and] Just Summ of ten thousand pound sterling the recovery of all such damages as I shall [now] appear to have now received in Person, or Estate [by] this my confinement, or that hereafter I shall [. . .] appear to receive by my said confinemt by any [. . .] of means or wise whatsoever, and so farwell [. . .] the 18th day of May in ffort St George Anno: Do[mini 1693].

To His Excellency Sr John Goldsborough
Knt: Commissary Generall

May it please Your Excellency,

I have discharged Mr Thomas Roope my [Mate] and his servant, with this Provisoe, that he may have his liberty and be permitted to goe for England on the Berkeley Castle; and what damage may happen to me by such discharge of said Thomas Roope and his [servant] I am willing to submitt to.

Your Excells: Most humble
Servant and Prisoner
Wm: Freke.

Fort St George
the 18th May 1693.

Dispatch a Generall to Fort St David requireing [Mr] Ingram to send hither, all the letters recd: from Mr [Nicks] &ca of Conimere from Novr: 88: to July 89, and the Consultation and Diary for Do: time.

19. Ship Jerusalem John Morgan Master arrived in ye Road from Goa, laden wth: Arrack wine &ca.

20. Yesterday one of the Rt Honble Comps Horses that [came] as a Present from Cossim Cawn in [*Lacuna in original*] Died.

Monday 22d.

Att a Consultation

Present

His Excell: Sr: John Goldsborough Knt Comiss: Genll:
The Honble Nath: Higginson Esqr: President
John Dolben Esqr Judge Advocate
Mr William ffraser Mr William Hatsell
Mr James Wheeler.

Capt: Freke haveing delivered in a paper to the Commissary on Satterday last, about himselfe, ship and men, (which is entred next after this Consultation to which the Secretary is ordered to returne him this answer [that] [when] he has delivered all the Rt: [Honble Compas] [ ] then we will give him an answer.

Judge Dolben paid into the Rt Honble Comps Pags: 72 on a Judgement being for Pags: 54 Princip [le] due from Narrain Chittee for Broad Cloth deliv[ered] him in Conimeer, and there placed wrongfully [. . .] the Conimeer Merchants accot: which principle money is to be brought to their Creditt, and the Interest Pags: 18 to accot: Proffitt and losse.

There standing in the remaines of Generall Books KK. Pags: 1525–19–4 for China Goods returne [d] from England, the Warehouskeeper is ordered to give in a

particular acco[t]: thereof in writing, with their [values] calling to his assistance in the valuation such Persons as doe best understand the severall [sorts].

J. GOLDSBO [ROUGH].
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FR [ASER]
W[M]: HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

To HIS EXCELLENCY S[R]: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN[T]: COMMISSARY GENERALL: THE HON[BLE] NATH: HIGGINSON PRESID[T]: THE WORSP[LL]: JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] &C[A]: COUNCILL.

May it please Your Excellency &c[a]:

The following requests which I hope may not se[em] unreasonable to your Excellency &c[a] Councill, [being] in my opinion fitting to be demonstrated to [your] Excellency &c[a] Councill, that I may not [runn my] selfe [rashly] [into] utter ruein, if I am [mistaken] [more] of the [perticulers] [that I do here] offer I shall Own it to be done through my weaknesse.

Imp[rs]: Before I deliver all the lead to be assured to be Entertained in the Companys service, under the same Circumstances as when I came out of England and be laden home by the twentyeth of January next, provided I fitt the ship as shee ought to be fitted.

2[d]. That Your Excellency will permitt my Mate Tho: Roope and his servant, to goe for England in y[e] Berkeley Castle, he being disabled by sicknesse for service, for w[ch]: reason I have discharged him.

3. That Your Excellency &c[a]: will allow that I may discharge such of my men, that I doe not thinke safe to take aboard my said ship they being mutinous fellows, and that I may when time requires ship others in their roome.

4. That whereas I have an offer of some Gunns w[ch]: are to weighty for my ship, Your Excellency &c[a] will take those gunns, and give me gunns of about 12 lb. w[t]: in th[eir] roome, allowing me for the over weight.

5. That if I cannot procure as many gunns as to m[ake] up the number that I brought out of England, that may not be any Impediment or pretence for not lading my ship home, provided the gunns that I shall pro[cure] amo[t]: to the same quantity of mettall as I brought out of England, or a greater weight.

6. That when I have taken up money to fitt & have fited my ship for a voyage for England, I may not be put by the Command of my ship.

7. And lastly that Your Excell[cy]: &c[a]: will take care that my Purser & mate, may be redeemed out of the hands of the ffrench att Surratt, w[th]: all expedition [they] being the hostages for the redemption of the ship and what the french left in her, all which are the [humble] requests of.

Your Excell[cy] &c[a]
[most] humble & faithfull [servant].
W[M] [FREKE.]

Rec[d] a Generall from ffort St. David dated the 18th Instant w[th]: Generall Books letter H Commencing September the 25 : 1690 & concluded Aprill y[e]: 30th 1691. 22D

Gave a Pass to Boat Bombeidia.

Gave a Printed Pass to ship New Morning Starr Capt: Armiger Gostling Command[r]. and at the same time one of D[o]: Passes for the Pearle to be delivered Capt: Howell Command[r]: of said ship at Atcheen, or Malacca if there, if not to be left w[th]: the Govern[r]: of Malacca, to be deliver'd him at his returne. 23.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 24TH.

HIS EXCELL: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLM: FFRASER MR WILLM: HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Upon the Warehouskeepr: haveing reported the finishing of the sorting, wee went yesterday to the Godowne to view the same, and appointed the Merchants to meet us this morning to adjust the prices as well of the sorted as the turn'd out cloth, wee agreed upon the following prizes Vizt:

Long cloth N°:	3 Muster	Pags: 25 : 20	On all these prices 8 ℘ Cent to be advanced from short Cloth deduct 5 ℘ Cent and the M[uster] as ℘ former Consultation.
	2+	24 : 18	
	2+	23 : 16	
	1	22 : — :	
	1+	20 : — :	
Salampores —	9 Muster	11 : [ ]	
	3	10 : [ ]	
	[ ]	10 : 12	
	[ ]	10 : 0	
	[ ]	(9) : 24	
	34+	55 : 0	
	33	52 : 18	
	33+	50 : 0	

Neck clothes Mixt. at 50 ℘ one Pagodo :
Turn'd out Long cloth below 1+at Pags: 20 : 20 } without an advance or
Salampores below 2+ . . . 9 : 24 } defalcation.

Which the Merchants being called in and accquainted wth: they haveing before referr'd to us the adjustmt: of ye: prices consented unto it, and it is ordered that the accots: wth: ye Merchants, and the Invoices be made according[ly] they Earnestly requested that wee would permit them [to] take away all the turned out Cloth, which shall remaine after the Compleating of 20,000 Pags: that they might [. . .] by the sale thereof gaine something towards their Loss by the Investment, which they affirme and offer to prove by their accots: to be above the tenth part of the principall, wch: tho' wee don't Creditt till they make itt [. . .] yet all Circumstances Considered wee are of opinion that by the above prises they will not be gainers by the Investment, they haveing been rob'd of 500 Pags: of Cloth by the roveing Morattas, and their Charges encreased [by] the frequent Changes of Government throughout the whole Cornatta Country, under the Mogull, & incur[sions] of Morattas and Moors into those parts where Cloth is made. Wee therefore stated the prises of dry cloth, with due Consideration of the Rt: Honble: Compas: orders and the Condition of the Merchants.

The Conimeer Merchants paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash pa : 11 : 4 fã : being the ballance of their Debt as it is in their Generall Books, and it is ordered that on [the] 6 Instant wee meet to Consider and resolve in their Case.

[. .]

Jo: [GOLDSBOROUGH.]
[NAT: HIGGINSON.]
[JO: DOLBEN.]
[WM: FRASER.]
[WM: HATSELL.]
[JAMES WHEELER.]

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New Morning Starr Sailed for China &c^a : 25.

Yesterday in the Evening Came two Pattemars from Bengall and Surratt, the first brought a Generall from the Agent &c^a Councill, and the latter brought letters to his Excellency the Commissary Generall.

FFRIDAY 26TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL : S^R : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T : COMMISS : GEN^LL :
THE HON^BLE NATH : HIGGINSON ESQ^R : PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R : JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR W^M FFRASER MR W^M HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordered that the Secretary issue out an order to M^r. Simon Holcombe to produce his Invoice and without delay pay into the R^t : Honble : Comp^s : Cash Y^e : Custome for his Goods traversed in this road aboard of the 4 Brothers in the Year 1689.

Mr William ffraser Warehouskeeper paid into the R^t : Honble : Comp^s : Cash Pag^s : 900 on acco^t : freight.

The Conimeere Merchants haveing been detained for above three Yeares in the Custody of the Talliars upon acco^t: of failure in their Contract 1688, in which time two of them have dyed here, others sick, and the rest all Complain of great Losses & Damage they have sustain'd by liveing so long in a Strange place upon charges, and out of business to the ruein of themselves and families, and [ ] by the Judges reports of the tryalls between them [. . .] and the R^t : Honble : Company and President Yale, Mr Nicks, Mrs Nicks, &c^a : accomplices, it appearing that tho the Merchants have forfeited the 25 ℔ Cent upon part of their Investment, which they failed to bring [. . .] the time [. . .] yet that their failure both in the time & Quality of the Cloth, was occasioned by the money and Cloth which the Aforesaid persons forced from them, for which the R^t : Honble : Company have satisfaction by Judgement of Court.

It is ordered that the Conimeer Contract be delivered up Cancelled to the Merchants, and they discharged from the Custody of the Talliars.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
W^M : HATSELL.
JAMES WHEELER.

MONDAY 29TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL : S^R : JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T : COM^RY : GEN^LL :
THE HON^BLE NATH : HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R : JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILL : FFRASER MR WILL : HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Bridger requesting permission of his [. . .] Paul's passage on ship Berkeley Castle, It is granted he now paying 26 Pag^s : into the R^t : Honble : Comp^s : Cash.

Mr William ffraser Warehouskeeper paid into the R^t : Honble : Comp^s : Cash Pga^s : 900 on acco^t : [ffright].

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer paid into the R^t : Honble : Comp^s: Cash Pag^s : 2000 : on acco^t : Sea Custome.

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Mr Thomas Wright Provll: Paymaster have [ing] Produced an accot: of the Estate of Mr James Wattson deceased amot: to Pags: 666 : 6 fa : doeth thereupon pay into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 285 : 31 fa : for which it is ordered that bills be drawn on the Rt: Honble: Company Payable to his Excutrs: or Administrs: and that the two Judgements of Court amot: to Pags: 343 : 8 fa : and Fort St George Salary payable in England Pags: 63: 28 fans: be advised and refer'd to the Rt: Honble: Company and the amot: of Pags: 73 : 12 fa : for goods spared att Madagascar, but refer'd to the Examination of Capt: Perrimans [account] of that voyage and Mr Wright is ordered to draw [to an end] the accot of Mr Wattsons business accordingly to be sent in the Pacquett, and by our next advices to Bengall they are to be ordered to remitt by the Charles the second to the Rt: Honble: Company, an accot: of the Salary due in England, for the time of Mr Wattsons service in Bengall.

Mr Wright likewise paid into Cash Pags: 49 : 20 : for his ballance of the accot: of the Estate of Mr Samll: Swinoke dec[e]as'd, and it is ordered that the Same be placed in the Generall Books to his Creditt till Some former accots: of his are Examined, wherein Some of the Councill doe suppose there were sundry Errors to the Rt: Honble: Comps: prejudice. Mr William ffraser in persuance of an order of Consultation the 22d Instant delivered [a] Survey of the China goods returned, which stand in [. . .] remains Pags: 1525 : 19 : 4 : but are valued at then Pags: 13 : 12 fa : Coppy whereof is entred next after this Consultation and it is ordered that the same be entred accordingly in the Generall Books.

Ordered that 10000 [Cajen] Stones be bought and Planted in Egmore &ca new towns in S [uch] Convenient places as the Paymaster & Garde [ner] [. . .] shall thinke best. The charge whereof is Comput [ed] not to Ex [ceed 30] Pags: and that [sort of Tope grow which] without watering, from the Stone in 4 or 5 years time to such Maturity as will pay for all the charge by ye fruit, and be a Provision of firewood near the Town, wch : is Principally intended, besides a shade for sheep & Cattle wch : is much wanting in those places.

J. Goldsborough.
Nat : Higginson.
Jo : Dolben.
Will Fraser.
Wm : Hatsell.
James Wheeler.

Survey and Valuation of a parcell of Rubarb & China flowers return'd here from England upon ye Beaufort in July 1686 ; 80 small boxes of China artificiall flowers supplied may cost now in China about two [. . .] are many of them faded in their Coller & touched wth : the Cockroch.

Wee value them now to be worth 6 fans: each be [. . .] one with another.

The Rubarb wee have opened and received Some [. . .] Raggs, and find it to be wholley rotten and decay [ed and] good for nothing, or of noe use or value.

Wm : Hatsell.
Jo : Styleman.
Ed : Tredcroft.
Ed : Bulkly.

The above said valuation is pursuant to an order of Councill of the 22nd Instant & delivered in the Consultation the 29th of May 1693.
℣ Will : Fraser.

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[. . .] HIS EXCELLENCY SR JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMMISSARY GENERALL: THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA COUNCILL.

The humble request of Samll: Hide Commandr of Ship Berkeley Castle Sheweth.

That whereas I may have occasion for ten or fifteen Tonns in [red] wood to fill up severall narrow places in the ship where noe Bales Chest or other Bulkey goods [can be] stowed in, therefore desire what red wood want be supplyed me over and above the quantity agreed to be laden by Charterparty which I doe hereby agree to carry [. . .] stated freight of red wood as ℔ Charterparty which is thirteen Pounds ten shillings ℔ Tonn.

Fort St George Your Excell: &ca Most humble servant
May ye 23d 1693. SAMUEL HIDE.

[. . .] bee Entred after this Consultation of the 24th.

	A list of Persons in the Rt: Honble: Comps service in Fort St. George.	Arrivall in India.	Present Degree.
1.	Sr: John Goldsborough Knt: Married	Octbr 16[92] ...	Commissary Genll.
2.	Nathll: Higginson Esqr Presidt Married... ...	March 19th 16[83–4]	1st Councill.
3.	John Dolben Esqr Judge Advocate (his wife in England).	Novr 23d 1692 ...	2 Councill.
4.	William ffraser Warehouse keepr	May 31: 16[93] ...	3 Councill.
5.	James Wheeler Sea Customer (Marrd)in Mr Wm Hatsells absence ...		4 Councill.
6.	Thomas Yale	July 1: 1683 ...	Senr Mercht.
7.	John Pitt (Married)	Janry 30th 1684 ..	Senr Mercht.
8.	Daniel DuBois	Augt 11: 1685 ...	Mercht.
9.	Francis Bett Secry	...	Mercht.
10.	[Thomas] Wright Provll Paymaster	June 16: 1684 ...	Mercht.
11.	[Edward] King Steward (married)	June 16: 1684 ...	Mercht.
12.	Mathew Empson Searchr at Sea gate	July 20: 1687 ...	Mercht.
13.	Edwd: Tredcroft Registr of ye Court & Sorter ...	July 22d 1687 ...	Mercht.
14.	[John] Meverill Receivr of ye Sea Customes ...	July 22: 1687 ...	Mercht.
15.	John Focquett Rentall Generall	Octr 15th 1687 ...	Mercht.
16.	John Braborne	Novr [5] 1689 ...	Mercht.
17.	Richard Bridges Assist in ye Godown (married).	Octbr 1: 1692 ...	Factor.
18.	Edward Thompson	Octbr 1: 1692 ...	Factor.
19.	Matt: Mildmay Provll Land Customr (his wife in England).	Octbr][15] 1687 ...	Factor.
20.	Thomas Wigmore Assist ye Secry	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Factor.
21.	Francis Congreve	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Factor.
22.	John Penford Assist the Land Customr	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Factor.
23.	George Snell	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Factor.
24.	Mathew Mead Attorney Generall Married Entred into the Comps: service.	Janry 1: 1692–3.	Factor.
25.	Joseph Hiller Assist: Warehousekeepr (married).	Janry 2d 1692–3.	Factor.
26.	Trevor Games	June 8: 1688 ..	Writer.
27.	Joseph Chapman	June 8: 1688 ...	Do.
28.	Joseph Lister under Searchr at sea gate... ...	Novr 5: 1689 ...	Do.
29.	John [Hin] chman att the sea gate	Novr 5: 1688 ...	Do.
30.	Edward [B] angus Undr the Secry	Novr 5: 1688 ...	Do.
31.	William V [an] denaveher Undr accompt ...	Novr 5: 1688 ...	Do.
32.	Joseph Himners Undr ye Secry	Octr 1: 1692 ...	Do.
33.	John Buttell Undr ye President	Octr 1: 1692 ...	Do.
34.	Edmund Bugden Under ye Paymaster	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Do.
35.	William Bugden Under ye Secretary	Novr 23: 1692	Do.
36.	[Thomas] Harris	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Do.
37.	[Batson] [Pear] son Undr the [commissary] ...	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Do.
38.	Nathaniel Walsh Under the Secretary	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Do.
39.	Samuel Lask Under the [commissary]	Novr 23: 1692 ...	Do.
40.	Richard Elliott } Ministers.		
41.	George Lewis }		
42.	Edward Buckley }		
43.	Samll Brown (marrd) } Cheruegeons.		
44.	Thomas ffauseet }		
45.	Richard ffarmer gone upon the Rt: Honble: Comps: acct to Tonqeen (Married).	Sepbr 20: 1684 ...	Mercht.

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Fort St. David.

	A list of Persons in the Rt: Honble: Comp^{s} service in Fort St. David.	Arrivall in India.	Present Degree.
1.	Willm Hatsell Esqr: Deputy Govr (married)	...	1 Councill.
2.	John Haynes (married)	...	2 Councill.
3.	Ralph [In] gram (married)	...	3 Councill.
4.	Edmund Mountague	...	4 Councill.
5.	Thomas Constable	...	5 Councill.
6.	Zouch Troughton (married)	July 30th 1682	6 Councill.
7.	Robert Cranwell	July 22^{d} 1687	Merch^{t}.
8.	Thomas Jordan Sec^{ry}	...	...
9.	John Borlue	...	Factor.
10.	Stanhope Mills	Novr 5: 1689	Writer.
11.	Thomas Walton	Oct^{br} 1: 1692	Do.
12.	Charles Bugden	Nov: 23: 1692	Do.
13.	Jethro Bridcoake Minister (his wife in England).		
14.	Richard Blackwall Surgeon (married)		

Vizagapatam ffactory.

1.	Simon Holcombe Chief (married a Musteez)	May 31: 1685	1 Councill.
2.	Charles Barwell	...	2 Councill.
3.	Samuel Owen (married a Casteez)	July 30: 1685	3 Councill.
4.	John Oneal	...	Merch^{t}.
5.	Thomas Stables	...	Writer.

A list of ffreemen Inhabitants of ffort St. George.

1. Elihu Yale Esqr his wife in England.
2. John Bridger (married an English woeman).
3. John Styleman (married an English woeman).
4. John Afflick (married a Dutch woeman).
5. Charles Metcalfe (Do.).
6. William Cawley (his wife in England).
7. Richard [Trench] field (married a Peguer).
8. John Nicks (Ditto an English woeman).
9. Daniel Gyfford (Ditto).
10. William Proby (Ditto).
11. Peter Large (Ditto).
12. John Stephenson (Ditto).
13. George Herron (Ditto a Georgian).
14. Daniell Chardin (Ditto a ffrench woeman).
15. Thomas Bowgeare (Ditto an English woeman).
16. Lawrence Bridger.
17. Thomas Bettsworth.
18. Edward ffleetwood.
19. Nathaniel Tredcroft.
20. John Coventry (Married a Dutch woeman).
21. Samuel Glover (Ditto an English woeman).
22. William Ladd (Ditto a Casteez).
23. Charles Sherrer (Ditto an English woeman).
24. John Plomore.
25. James Coventry.
26. Monsr Cattellion.
27. Richard Lee.
28. William Stow.
29. John Scott.
30. Christopher Allen.
31. Richard Ware (married a Musteez).
32. Edward Dutton.
33. William ffowle.
34. George Caple.
35. Thomas Ogle.
36. George Pittman (married an English woeman).
37. James Lebecue (Ditto a Musteez).

Senr Alvaro de fonseca Senr: Manuche Venetian.
Peter de Costa.

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Sea faring men not Constant Inhabitants here.

1. Henry Burton (Married a Casteez).
2. William Harrison (Ditto an English woeman).
3. Anthony Permiston (Ditto).
4. Armiger Gostling (Ditto).
5. Samnell Rixon (Ditto).
6. William Martin (Ditto).
7. Robert Masfen (Ditto).
8. William Brouse.
9. James Perriman.
10. James Howell.
11. Henry Laurence.
12. Samnel Hart (Married a Georgian).
13. Robert Turlington (Ditto an English woeman).
14. Samuel Brickman (Ditto).
15. Augustin Hart.
16. John Co [ckraft] (Married a Musteez).
17. William Stock (Ditto an English woeman).
18. William Brooke (Ditto).
19. Richard Harbin (Ditto).
20. William [R] ider (Ditto).
21. William Legatt (Ditto a Musteez).
22. William Griffin.
23. St [Zachariah] Hilgoe.
24. [Ph] ineas Brewster (Married a Portugueze).
25. John Lane.
26. Richard Phrip.
27. John Smith (Married a Peguer).
28. William Dixon.
29. Jacob Degrave.
30. John Mitchell (Married a Musteez).
31. John Brown (Ditto).
32. Richard Lane (Ditto).
33. John Cotter.
34. Thomas Shepheard.
35. Thomas Morgen.

Widows.	*Unmarried Woemen.*		
[Eli] zabeth Ivory.	Jane Tanckard.	Marriages:	24.
[M] ary Lacy [ ].	Ann Latchwood.	Christnings:	21.
[Vis] lante Shales.	Mary ffowle.	Burrialls:	[41].
	[Elizabeth Brough].		

THE [. . .]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY. 1

HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENLL
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Snell and his acct Quitt rents.

Mr George Snell read the accot Quitt rent recd by him amot: to Pags: 97 : 22 : fan : whereof disbursed for charges Pags: 6 : the balance being 91 : Pags; 22 : fan : he now paid into the Rt: Honble : Compas : Cash and requesting to be dismissed from

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the imployment by reason of his Indisposition. It is ordered that Mr John Focquett doe supply his place.

Sea Custome acct read. Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer read his accot of Sea Custome for the month of March the amot : Vizt:

	PAGS.	FA.	C.
Custome of goods	1768	25	61
Graine	1085	30	48
Anchorage	45	0	0
	[2899]	20	9

There being remaining in the Rt : Honble : Comps : Cash [but 1 Pags : 18390 : 15 : 3 wherewith] to carry on the Invest[ments of this Coast which will require much] Greater [sums upon making of the three intended] Contracts all [at this place] Fort St. David and Viagapatam, It is [ordered that any sum or sums of money not exceeding 20000 Pags : be borrowed at] Interest for [the Rt : Honble : Compas : Accot : at the rate of] 9 ₱ Cent Interest [per annum for six months and all of] Councill are orderd when any oppertunity dos present to their knowledge to give [notice] thereof in Consultation. On the [30 of May] Mr Wheeler one of ye Councill produced [a noate under] Thomas Yales [hand] of the 29th : do : wherein were [some rude] expressions and threats to Mr Wheeler upon which Mr Thomas Yale was orderd to give the Judge Security for his good behaviour, and not to depart out of the ffort untill he had soe done, because Mr Wheeler did nothing to Mr Yale but what was by order of the Commissary given him, Mr Yales note sent Mr Wheeler [is entered next] after this Consultation.

Mr Thomas Yale Mr Wheeler.

The round Point defective. The round Point being defective in the foundation, It is orderd that a Pallisade of redwood be made round [it to secure it] from the force of the ffreshes.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Mr : Tho : Yales note. Monsr Wheeler I am informed that your Worpl selfe has been pleased [to take] from a Pacquett directed to Mr Edward ffleetwood a letter of mine, what progative you have to lay hands on anything, much more advices is beyond my knowledge, and I fancy beyond your Power, I shall not dye in your debt If it be not restored me as received.

Yors THO : YALE.

The 29th May 1693.

1. Ship Saphire Jacob Degraves Master belonging to ye Rt : Honble : Company arrived in this road from Bombay Laden with arrack from Goa.

3. Ship New Morning Starr came back into this road haveing sprung severall leakes att sea wch disabled her to performe her voyage to Emoy in China wh[i]ther she was Bound.

4. Carwarr Merchant [Will : Stephens] Master arrived in this road from Surratt, laden for Bengall.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY 6.

Present

HIS EXCELLCY: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLM: FFRASER MR WILLM: HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do unlade one hundred hogsheads of Goa arrack laden ℘ order of the Deputy Governour of Bombay on the Saphire for the Rt Honble: Comps: acct: & reserving twenty five for the use of this and the subordinate ffactories, the remainder be sold att outcry att the Sea Gate as soon as conveniently can be. The disposeall of the ship, is deferr'd till the returne of Peons sent to [Retturrah] by the Commissary.

Warehousekeeper orderd to unlade ye Goa arrack & to sell it at outcry except 25.

The President paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pags: 546 : 21 : fa: for which it is orderd that [Bills drawn] on the Rt: Honble: Company Payable to the Executrix of Robert Chiswell deceased at 9s ℘ Pagoda.

Pags 546: 21 pd into Cash of Robt Chiswells Estate.

Mr William ffraser paid into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pags: 576 : 22 fa: for freight whereof he now renders an accot: amot: to Pags: 5685 : 5 : 4: which is ordered to be examined and enterd into the Generall Books.

Warehousekeepers accot ffreight & money paid.

Orderd that the Warehousekeeper buy twenty Chests of Sherash wine, fifteen chests of rosewater, Raisins and Kisnuts each one candy allmonds Nutts and Pistaches each ten Maunds. Sauces 4 chests for presents as occassion shall require.

Warehousekeeper orderd to buy wine, rosewater & Persia ffruit.

Judge Dolben paid into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pags: 1200: at 9 ℘ Cent Interest ℘ annm for six months, being part of the Estate of Benjamin Bloom deceas'd for which it is ordered that a Bond be given him accordingly.

Pagas: 1200 pd into cash at 9 ℘ Cent Interest.

Also Pags: 535 : 23 : fan: recovered by Judgement of Court of the Estate: of Henry Alford deceas'd late receiver of the Customes, in full of Pags: 74 [3 : 27 :] Sea Customes recd: by his order by John Hinchman and it is to be carry'd to the credit of Do Alford in the Generall Books.

Pags 535: 23 fa: recd of Mr Alfords Executors.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 7.

HIS EXCELLENCY SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISS: GENL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Here being one Isaac Cookcow that came out of England on the ship Kempthorne one of her company and run away in Bengall and sheltered himself in the ffrench ffactory, and last yeare was imployed by them as Pilot in a Portugueze ship of St Thoma, to take in a lading of Goods in Bengall and carry them to Goa or Carwarr for the four ffrench ships whoe mett her att Carwarr and at Anjadeva recd: her Lading from her tho they give out they mett the ffrench ships there by chaule whoe tooke away their Lading and paid them for it, but it was not soe but a dessign'd thing. It is therefore orderd that an order be given to

Isaac Cookcow to be sent for England on ye Berkeley Castle.

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Capt Samuel Hide Commander of the Berkeley Castle to carry the said Isaac Cookcow wth him for England, to prevent his future serving our King & Queen's Enimies.

Capt Freke declares he hath no more lead on board. & that he had not disposed of any. his men to be Examined.

Capt: ffreke haveing landed 104 Pigs of the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: Lead from his ship Samuel declar'd by a note to the Warehousekeeper Mr William ffraser that he had noe more lead left aboard of his ship and appearing before us said he had not disposed of any of the lead in any place where he had been except two and a halfe Piggs at J [ohanna] but [that] it was all the ffrench had left aboard upon which Judge Dolben was ordered to examine his men upon oath to such Interrogatories as was proper to find out what they knew of the rest of the Lead and to send his warrant for those men that are now aboard to bring them ashore and Examine them also, and report the same to us.

J: GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES: WHEELER.

THURSDAY 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL^CY: S^R: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COMISS^Y: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

pd Tho: Wright for Expences Pag^s 1000.

Ordered that Pag^s: one thousand be paid Mr Thomas Wright Provissionall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES: WHEELER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 12.

HIS EXCELL^CY: S^R: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^T: COMISS: GEN^LL:
THE HON^BLE: NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Pag^s: 31: 14 fan: pd into cash of Peter Russells in part of his debt.

Judge Dolben paid into the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: Cash Pag^s: 31: 14: fan: being the produce of Graine sold by M^r: Wheeler belonging to Peter Russell Master of Briggantine Gingerlee and is in part of a judgement of Pag^s 230 against him for damage of Vizagapatam Bales.

Pag^s: 1000 pd Mr. Hatsell on Bills drawn from Fort St. David.

Ordered that Pag^s: one thousand be paid to M^r: William Hatsell, for two Bills drawn upon us by M^r: Haynes second &c^a Councill of ffort St David for like value paid into the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: cash there, Viz^t: Pag^s: 600 May the 22^d by Mr Stanehope Mills and June the 6 Pag^s 400 by Mr Thomas Jordan.

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The Generall letter to the Rt: Honble: Compa: by ship Berkeley Castle of this days date was read and signed Containing 74 Paragraphs and our Pacquett made up Containing as ℘ list No. 77 and Books No. 11.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES: WHEELER.

Delivered Capt: Hide Comandr: of Ship Berkeley Castle his dispatches for England wth: a Packett and a box of books to the Rt: Honble: Compa:

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELLCY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISSY: GENLL: — TUESDAY 13.
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER. MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer paid into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pags: 2000 on accot: Sea Custome. — Sea Customr pd pa: 2000 into Cash.

Mr William ffraser Warehousekeeper Paid into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash pags: 51: 26: fan: on accot ffreight. — Warehouse-keepr pd Pa: 51: 26 fan: on accot: ffreight.

Ordered that Fort St. Davids Bales be unladen from sloop Thomas and Sarah. — Fort St David Bales to be unladen.

Capt: Ffreke some few days since delivered in a paper to the Commissary which being mislayde he was desired to give us the Coppy of it but he declared the substance of it was this, that his ship was now in good condition to take in anything of Goods and carry for Bengall whither he [designed] to goe with her, to make her fitt, to serve the Rt: Honble: Company and if we had any of the Compas: goods to send thither he would take it in, Wee answered him to it, that wee had told him before that when he had delivered all the Rt: Honble: Compas: Lead ashore, wee would returne him answer to his demands, and in regard he had delivered but 104 Pigs of 347 which he said was Laden aboard in England, Wee again demanded the delivery of the rest of the Lead which he acknowledged he had put ashoare at Trincombar and said he had done it to secure an averidge, and offered to give us his order that wee might there have the lead delivered to us or whome wee should Order to receive it, but utterly refused to bring the said Lead and deliver it here. Wee told him to what he said about an averidge, that wee believed there would and must be an averidge allowed upon the Damage when it is all known by the making up the accots: thereof but that could not be now done, and therefore wee insisted upon his delivering to us the lead, which he refused as before offering only his order for it there at Trincombar. Ordered that if the Capt: doe not forthwith take due course that the Lead may be brought and delivered here, that the Attorney Generall doe proceed upon the Execution warrant. Capt: ffreke being called in this Order was read by the secretary to him, and he persisted in his resolution not to deliver the rest of the lead. — The substance of Capt: Frekes paper. — Answer to ditto.

The Commissary being this day goeing for Fort St David the following Orders are agreed and resolved for the better direction in mannageing of the Rt; Honble: Compas: affaires in his absence Vizt. — The Commissary designed for Fort St David.

That the Ship Saphire, being in want of repaire for another Voyage, be forthwith dispatched for Bengall wth: redwood so much as she can carry the Gingerlee — Orders agreed on.

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Bowyear to be dispatched for Bengall.

Briggantine to remaine here, till the Commissary's further order. The Surratt Bowyear to be dispatched presently for Bengall, with her lading of Cotton and the other Bowyear allso when she comes. The Maddapollam when she returnes from the West Coast is Intended to be sent thither againe.

Mr. Holcombe & Mr. Owen to be sent to Vizagapatam with: money to carry on an Investment. Included already in March's bill up to the end of this page.

That Mr Holcombe and Mr Owen be wth: all Expedition sent to Vizagapatam, wth: 5000 Pag^{s}: in rupees and Pag^{s}: to carry on an Investment for w^{ch}: they are to be ordered to contract to the amo^{t}: of 15000 Pag^{s}: But that before they goe M^{r}: Owen be Examined as to the charge of the Porto Novo Cloth and the acc^{t}: of his and M^{r} ffocquetts disbursm^{ts}: at Vizagapatam separate from M^{r}: Dubois, the determination whereof is deferr'd to the Comissary's returne.

Mr. Evans not to goe to Bengall unless upon conditions.

That Mr Evans be not permitted to goe to Bengall, unless he do's shew such cause as the Commissary shall approve.

Attachmt referred to ye Admiralty Court.

That the attachment made by President Yale in Consultation of the 7th: July 1692 of Pag^{s}: 1000 the [estate] of John Cheney deceased in the hands of his Exe^{rs}: be referred to the Court of Admiralty.

The Attorney to enter an action against Nulla Vencatadry.

That the Attorney Generall doe enter an action in said Court against Nulla Vencatadry for the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: Lead and the Loyall Advent^{rs}: Gunns found by him out of the Wreck of said ship amo^{t}: to Pag^{s}: 298: and not brought to the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: acc^{t}.

The new Towns not to be emproved to a greater produce this year.

That the new Towns Yegmore, Tandore, & Passivacca being capable in [time] of considerable Emprovement in their rents, be not this year emproved to a greater produce, then they yeilded ye last year, whilst in the hands of the Moors: Because it would be a means to have them taken from us, if the advance should be known to the Countrey Goverment, till wee have a further confirmation of their grant.

noe English ffreeman to live where no ffortifications.

That noe English ffreeman be permitted to goe & live in Bengall, Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam &c^{a} places where the R^{t} :Honble: Comp^{a}: have noe ffortification.

noe persons to be entertained wth out order of Consultation.

That noe Person be taken into the Gunroom Crew or Soldiery, nor discharged therefrom, but by order of Consultation.

noe Commission officer to be made but by ye Governour and Councill.

That noe Commission officers be made but by Governour and Councill, but the Serjeants, Corporalls and Rounders to be appointed by the Governour as occasion requires.

Silver be bought for coyning fanams.

That Dollers or Silver be bought for coining of fanams &c^{a} : to the amo^{t}: of Pag^{s} : two thousand.

the Chief Peon discharged.

That Verona the late Chief Peon be discharged from his confinem^{t}: haveing given security for his appearance.

Investment to be made at Fort St David. To contract with our Merch^{ts}:

That an Investment be forthwith made at Fort St David to the amo^{t}: of Pag^{s}: 20000 in order to which Pag^{s}: 8000 to be now sent in charge of Mr Hatsell and that the late Conimere Merchants repair thither that they may joine wth: their Merch^{ts}: for the better carrying on their bussinesse.

That a Contract be made wth: ffort S^{t}: George Merch^{ts}: for 20000 Pag^{s}: as soone as may be.

Silver fanams to be sent to Fort St David.

That 200 Pag^{s}: in Madras Silver fanams be now sent by Mr Hatsell to ffort St David to make a tryall whether they will Passe.

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There being occasion for men to serve the Rt: Honble: Compa: at Fort St David Retturra and Bombay, all Europe men who offer themselves to serve in the Gunroome be taken in without being limitted to serve two years by which means their number may be increased. Persons not to be limitted when entertained.

J: GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Ship Berkeley Castle sett saile about two a Clock in the afternoon for England. 13 Ship Berkeley Castle saild for England.

This evening His Excellency the Commissary Genll: and the Worspll: William Hatsell Deputy Governour of Fort St David set out for that place, there being sent before Lieutenant Seaton with 40 Europe soldiers and Topasses to awaite their coming att Conimeere. The Commissary & Mr Hatsell set out for Fort St David.

Capt: Freke came to the President and did offer that he would give an order for the delivery of the whole quantity of Lead Landed at Trincombar to our order but he would be at no charges, The President replyed that he must pay ye charges himselfe, and run the risque, to this place we are to receive but if he would draw a Coppy of ye: order he intended to send, we would then tell him whether wee would accept of ye: order or no, wch: he refused to doe unless the President would engage beforehand to accept it at the same time he said that he knew not the number of piggs Landed. 14. Capt Frekes offer to dd ye Lead at Trincombar but would be at noe charge.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 15TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHALL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Capt: Freke sent a Paper Coppy whereof is enterd next after this Consultation, where unto it is ordered that the Secretary returne him this answere that we see no reason to receed from our former resolution allready deliverd to him, that we expect he deliver the Lead here without Charge or risque of the Rt: Honble: Company. Capt Freke sends in a Paper. Answer thereto.

Generall to Vizagapatam to be sent by Mr: Holcombe read he being Present and ordered that if he has anything further to offer, relating to Vizagapatam that he give in his memorandums thereof on Munday next. Orderd that tomorrow morning Mr Owens accot: of disburstments at Vizagapatam, and his sortings at Porto Novo be examined. Generall to Vizagapm read. Mr Owens accot: of disbursements & sorting at Porto Novo be examined.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

This afternoon dispatch'd the Buoyer Mary Charles Perrin Master for Bengall by whom sent a Generall to ye: Rt: Worspll: Agent &ca: Councill of this date. 15TH. The Buoyer Mary dispatcht for Bengall.

TO THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON PRESIDENT
THE WORSPLL: JOHN DOLBEN ESQR &CA: COUNCILL.

May it please your Honr &ca.

I have seriously considerd the buisness as to your Honours &ca: Councills demanding the Lead that is at Trincombar, and I doe not thinke it safe for me to give an order for the delivery of the said Lead, without the Execution warrant Capt Freke's Paper.

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be first served on me for it, if you please that it may be served on me, It shall not be long before I will give your Hon^r: &c^a an order sufficient that ye whole quantity of Lead be deliverd to your Hon^rs: &c^as: order without Custome or other charges save cooly hire, boat hire and ffreight, which is as much as can be said by.

Your Hon^rs: &c^a:
Most humbl^e: servant
WILLIAM FREKE.

Friday 16th.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Capt: Freke offers to bear ye risque of ye Lead. Answered that they will pay ye charges if he will give bond.

The Judge acquainting us that Capt: Freke had this morning offerd to bear the risque of the Lead if we would bear y^e: charges, It is resolved, that we send Capt: Freke this answer, that we will pay the charges if he will give an acknowledgment under his hand for so much received towards ye R^t: Honble: Companyes Proportion of the Avarrage to be hereafter stated.

Mr Alvares & Mr DaCosta offer to Lade 25000 Pags: on ye Saphir, wch: is accepted.

Mr Alvares and M^r DaCosta came and offerd to send upon ye Saphir Pago^s: 25000 to be invested in Bengall for permissive trade if she might stay till Munday 26th: before w^ch: time they cannot gett ready, It is thereupon ordered that she be detained to that day the said money being very usefull for Ladeing y^e: two great shipps from Bengall.

Capt Brewsters Bells ordered to be delivered him.

The Judge acquainting us that Capt: Brewster had obtained Judgment of Court for three Bells brought from Tonqueen, tis orderd that the same be delivered him.

Capt ffreke offers to send for ye Lead at his owne risque and charge, if we will disburse ye money wch is to be towards ye average, wch is agreed to.

Capt: Freke at last promising to send his order for bringing the Lead from Trincombar at his own risque and charges, on condition that at delivery thereof, wee will disburse y^e: money for payment of y^e: charges, he giveing a bond for y^e: repayment of the same in England at arrivall of shipp Samuel, on the same termes of Bottomaree, w^ch: others shall furnish money for fitting the shipp, or the said money shall be towards the R^t: Honble: Companyes proportion of ye avarage of ship Samuel if any be, It is agreed that ye said offer be accepted, but that the money for w^ch: his ship Loyall Capt: was sold to Capt: Burton Pago^s: 1130 be attached as a security for Capt: Freke^s ℘formance unless Capt: Freke will give other sufficient Security.

Disburstmts at Vizagapm examin'd & stated. Porto Novo sortmt examined.

Mr John Focquett and Mr Samuel Owen, their account of Disburstments at Vizagapatam, was examin'd and stated for his Excellencyes determination at his returne. Allso Mr Owen was examined as to y^e: sorting of the Porto Novo Cloth: and Sampson their Dubash at Porto Novo his Examination taken but that matter referred to next Consultation.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Tho: Yale sends in a Letter & Protest.

Mr Thomas Yale sent a Letter and a Protest of this Date as enter'd in the Coppy booke of Letters received.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

MUNDAY 19TH.

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Stone paid into the Rt: Honble: Companyes Cash Pags: 1148 : 33 : produce of Silver coyned into fanams.

Mr Stone pd into Cash Ps 1148 : 33:

Orderd that Pags: 1948 : 33 : be paid to Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster for charges Garrison.

Pd Mr Wright ps 1948 : 33 for expences.

Orderd that the Ellephants Landed at Ramapatam & brought hither by Land, and here sold, doe pay five ℔ Cent Custome, the shipp being designed for this Port, and put by, by contrary winds.

Ellephants to pay 5 per cent Custome

Orderd that Simon Aver, Daniel DeBondt and Garrett Ramson, Dutchmen, be entertaind in the Gunnroom Crew, & Antoni Rodrigues, and [Pasquall] Rodrigues Portiguez as Soldiers.

2 Dutchmen & 2 Portuguese entertaind.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepr : doe provide for Vizagapatam two Chests of Shirras Wine, two Chests of Rosewater, two Chests of Fruit for Presents, Arrack Goa one Butt, Sugar five bales, and the Gunner English Powder one barrell, Country Powder 100 lb. hand granadoes 30 : and 20 stinke Potts, 20 Musketts halfe match, halfe Fire locks, and Bulletts, 20 swords, 10 Cartouch boxes, 4 Blunderbusses and 2 pair of Pistolls.

Warehouse keepr orderd to buy things for Vizagapm.

And that ye Warehousekeepr provide for Bengall, one steele Crosse Bow, 2 Double Barrell Guns, 2 double Barrell Pistolls, one clock, broad Gold & Silver Lace one peece or two.

Allsoe for Bengall.

Mr. James Wheeler read his accot Sea Customes for ye month of Aprill last Perticulars Vizt.

Sea Custome accot: read.

	P :	fa.	ca.
Custome of goods imported & Exported	5441 :	— :	1
Ditto of Graine as ℔ accot	366 :	14 :	1
Anchorage	23 :	18 :	—
Tonnage	22 :	8 :	—
Pags :	5853 :	4 :	2

Ship Hackney belonging to Judge Dolben being cast away a little beyond Sadraspatam, in her passage from ffort St : David with 15 Bales cloth belonging to Mr Chardin, and 13 Bales Tobacco belonging to severall, and ye : Master John Cockroft informing us that from Sadraspatam he sent Peons to ye : Avaldar demanding the Bales (wch : they had taken possession of) Hee returned answere that he would not deliver them without his Masters order. Therefore to preserve our right to ye Priviledge of Wrecks, It is orderd that the President write a letter to Zulphaker Cawn, to gett the said Goods and shipp deliverd to ye Proprietors, If they doe give an obligation to repay the charges.

Ship Hackney cast away.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Received a Generall letter from his Excellency &c :at Fort St. David dated ye 17th : Instant desireing us to send him a Dutch Interpritr. 20.

Dispatcht a Generall to ditto with Mr Cuthbeard for Lingester. 21.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1693* ——

THURSDAY 22ND.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Pags 7000 to be sent to Vizagapm on ye Saphir.

The Moor Merchts not to be contracted with.

Our Generall letter of the 19th Instant to Vizagapatam having been perused by Mr Holcombe, he offers some remarkes thereon as followes next after this Consultation, upon wch : It is resolved that Pags : 7,000 be sent thither by the Saphir, But as to ye : imploying of the Moor Merchants, wee doe not approve his reasons sufficient to alter ye resolutions formerly made and express'd in the Generall letter to Mr Barwell dated ye : 11th : December wherein his Excellency's opinion is expressed against employing them further as Merchants, and we thinke that ye : method proposed in the Generall letter now, for offering ye : Moor Merchants 5 or 10 ℔ cent on ye : stated prizes for all Cloth they shall bring in according to Muster (but without contract) the only expedient for keeping a fair Correspondence with them and [enl]argeing the Investment.

Mr Fraser pd 500 : ps into Cash.

Mr William Fraser Warehousekeepr : paid into the Rt : Honble : Companyes Cash Pags : 500 for accot : Goods sold.

Capt : Burton to give in his accot : of Anchors &ca.

Capt : Burton haveing taken up two Anchors in ye : road belonging to Ship Rubie, the owners thereof haveing demanded the delivery of them paying only Charges, It is resolved upon consideration of all that is alledged by both partyes, that one third of their produce be to ye Owners of ye : Shipp, one third to Capt : Burton, and one third to the Rt : Honble : Company, and that Capt : Burton doe make up the accot : of anchors &ca : found the last season, and deliver it in on Munday next.

Mr Bridges to assist in the generall Books.

Orderd that Richard Bridges doe assist Mr Wheeler in the Generall Books.

A Genll : to Bengall read.

Generall to Bengall dated this day read and approved.

Mr Chapman ordered to Vizagapatam

Orderd that Mr Joseph Chapman goe to Vizagapatam with Mr Holcombe, that the remaining part of his accot : may be there examined.

The Merchts. discoursed about an Investmt.

The Merchants being sent for in order to an Investment they complained of their losse by the goods they have brought in and of the troubles in the Country being very unwilling to engage in the provission of more goods, unless upon such Termes as may secure them from further losses, they were orderd to consider, and make their proposalls on Munday next.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Honble :

Mr Simon Holcomb Paper.

I have ℘used and considerd the Generall letter for Vizagapatam and with submission to your Honrs : better Judgment offer the following remark's thereon. Tis my opinion that the Merchants will not contract for Pagos : 15000 to be brought in by December, unless they have at least halfe advanced to them in hand, or that if they doe Contract, they will never comply with their obligation they being poor and indigent as well as the Weavours, who cannot fix their Loomes, without their Cooley being advanced to them.

Totally to discard the Moor Merchants I am apt to thinke may be very prejudiciall to ye : Honble : Companyes trade in those parts, by reason they are rich and able men, and when they find themselves quite cast off, 'tis hugely probable they will out of revenge under hand impeed our Merchants business in the

Country, and should an Interloper (wch : God forbid) chance to arrive in those parts, there is none soe able to assist them with Cloth, haveing both good stocks and Creditt I am.

Honble :
Your most obedient servt :
SIMON HOLCOMBE.

Dispatch'd a Generall to his Excellency &ca : at ffort St David.

Generall from His Excellency [dated the 20th with a copy of Govr : Pitts] 24.
letter [and an abstract of a letter from Retturra].

Received 2 Generalls from his Excellency at ffort St David dated ye : 23 & 25.
24th : Instant, ye : latter came by Mr John Haynes, who arrived here in a Dutch Ship, & soe soon as he was put on shore saild towards Pollicatt.

A Printed Pass to Ship St : Marke belonging to the Armenien Capt : Samuell 26.
Rickson, Commander, Bound for Bengall & Persia.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MUNDAY 26TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR : PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Charles Drinkewater a young Lad that came out as a soldier on Ship Berkeley Castle, praying to be dismist from that service, and now paying Pagods : 56 to the Paymaster, It is orderd that his request be granted. (Charles Drinkwater pd ps 56 & was dismist from being a soldier.)

Judge Dolben reporting that one Chanu, a servant to a Moor Merchant, being indicted & convicted of murdering his Master he had pronounced sentence of Death upon him, It is ordered that he be executed on Thursday 29th : Instant in ye forenoon at the Common place of Execution, and his body hang in chains on a Gibbett near the high road, Leading to Polimilee, and that the two Junior Choultry Justices, doe see the same perform'd. (A Murderer condemned.)

Amirjan Armenian producing a Bill of Lading for 11 Bales of Broadcloth deliverable to him in Fort St : George, by Shipp Sampson, Capt : John Brunswell Comander, wch : he affirmes to have demanded of said Capt : in Bengall, and was then answered that they were left in Fort St George, but were continued aboard Ship to Bengll where they now are, and Amirjan haveing consented that the ye said Bal[es] be delivered to his order in Bengall, & upon produceing of a receipt her[e] for ye delivering of said Cloth, he doth engage, and Cojee Gregory like [wise] hath given his writing for ye : payment of 677 Rups : to ye : Rt : Honble : Compa : for Freight, permission & Custome, & Rups 28 to ye : Presidt : as provided in the bill of Ladeing, It is thereupon ordered that the Agent &ca of Bengall be advised hereof, and directed to take care yt : ye : Bales be deliverd & the receipt sent to us. (Amirjan Armenian produces a Bill of Lading for 11 Bales broad cloth.)

Mr : Allvares not haveing finished the ladeing of his goods & treasure for Bengall, the dispatch of Ship Shaphir is defer'd till tomorrow. (The Saphir's dispatch deferred till tomorrow.)

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

The Generall letter to Vizagapatam dated 19th Instant was delivered with the 27.
Papers thereunto belonging by list to Mr Simon Holcombe and the Generall to Bengall dated 22d : delivered to the Master of ye Saphire with her dispatch in ye : forenoon, and in the afternoon, wth out order he unladed 100 sticks of the Redwood (Generall letters to Vizagapm & Bengall.)

[28TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1693*——

Invoiced for Bengall to make room for Mr Holcombes goods, wch: together with ye: Suddain Sickness of Mr : Da Coasta (who goes on the Ship as Mr Alvares Factory was the occasion that the Ship did not saile today.

Ship St : Marke belonging to ye Armenians, Capt : Samuell Rickson Commander saild for Bengall.

WEDNESDAY 28TH.

ATT A CONSUATATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Padre Evans & Mr Thomson, suspected to be gott on board an Armenians Ship, bound for Bengall.

Haveing information this morning that Mr John Evans and Mr William Thomson ffactor, went last night privately to St Thoma, and from thence, went off in a Mussula aboard the Ship St : Marke in this road, belonging to the Armenians and bound for Bengall, and that upon their coming aboard the Ship sail'd in the night, but neither of them haveing leave for goeing, and justly suspecting Mr Evans has ill designed in Bengall to ye Prejudice of ye : Rt Honble : Companeys affaires there, It is agreed to write a Generall letter to ye Agent &ca to cause them to be taken into and kept in the ffactory till his Excellency the Commissary Generall's arrivall, wch : Generall letter of this days date was written signed and sent aboard ye : Saphir.

Mr Trenchfield examined.

Mr Trenchfield being sent for and examined what he knew of his Brother Evan's departure, denyed to know anything of it, allsoe Cojee Gregory Armenian and owner of ye ship, denyes to have known or heard of any Passenger goeing upon ye shipp alledging that it was done by the Master Cojee Ignatio Marco without the Owners orders.

The Presidt had ordered ye Capt : to receive noe passenger on boord without his leave. 28.

The President doth declare that 4 or 5 dayes past, he sent for Capt : Samuel Rickson, the Pilott of the shipp, & enquiring of him, wh[e]ther any Passenger were to goe with him, he then denyed to know of any, and the President gave him strict order to suffer none to goe upon the shipp, without leave which he promised to observe. But the further consideration of this matter and how far ye same is to be resented relateing to the Armenians here, and in Bengall is referred to his Excellency's returne.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Genll to his Excellcy : at Fort St David of this day's date.

THURSDAY 29TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE ; NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR : PRESIDENT
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Cojee Stephen examin'd about Padre Evans.

Cojee Stephen Father of Ignatio Marco the Master of Ship St Marke being aboard the ship that night she sail'd, was sent for, and examined what he knew of Mr Evans goeing & he answered that he left ye ship at eight o'clock at night and that Mr Evans was not then aboard, nor did he know, or hear of his goeing till the next day, soe that the Owners have all denyed that they were privy or consenting, and doe cast the Blame upon the Master, Ignatio Marco or the Pilott.

Ps 90 : fa 24 : pd by Capt Burton on accot : Anchors.

Capt : Henry Burton delivered his accot : of Anchors taken up in this road the last season, and paid into the Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash Pagos : 90 : 24 fa : for their share thereof.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1693*— [29TH]

Capt : Burton produces an order of Court martiall for 40 Pa : to be pd him. Pa : 20 paid him.

Capt : Burton produceing an order of Court Martiall held 21st June 1688 for Pagos : 40 to be paid him and ships Company upon the Rt : Honble : Compas : order for disposeing of ye : sixth part of Prizes, wch : tho the money appointed at the same time to be paid to other ships Companyes, was actually distributed, yett this has not been yet paid, wch : Capt : Burton affirmes he did demand of President Yale, but by reason of a private dispute between them, could not obtain it.

It is ordered that Pagos : 20 be paid Capt : Burton for his share thereof, the remaining, being reserved for his men, when they appear and demand it.

Mr Games produces his Indentures.

Mr Trevor Games produceing his Indenture, for serving the Rt : Honble : Company as a writer for five years which determining on the 9th Instant, he does from that time commence ffactor.

Pa 500 to be paid Mr Stone.

Order'd that 500 Pagos : be deliver'd Mr Stone to buy silver for coyning & that one Candy of Copper be coined into Cash.

Pallenkeen for the second.

The Paymaster haveing provided a new silver Pallenkeen for the use of the second, whereof the charge is Pagos : 79 : 29 : fa : the same is approved and six Pallenkeen [boys] ordered.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES : WHEELER.

Genll : to his Excellcy att ffort St David of this date, concerning sending a Bramine to reside at Arrum Tarra's Camp for Intelligence.

Recd : a perwana from Zulphaker Cawn, in answr to the Presidts : Lre : translate 30.
whereof followes the Consultation of the 3d Instant.

Generall to his Excellcy &ca Councill att ffort St David of this days date with an Invoice of Powder sent by Mochdun Mia's* Sloop.

Recd : a Genll : Lre : from his Excellency dated June 28th wch : ye : coppy of JULY THE 1.
his lre to the Rt : Honble : Company dated 2nd June ℘ Berkely Castle, and a letter wth : its translate from ye Governor of Trincombar of Do date.

Recd : a lre from Arrum Tarras Doctor to ye Presidt : wth : two [gors bordars], sent hither [f] buy Persia Fruit rarities &ca for the Prince.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY JULY 3RD

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
MR JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER (*sick*).

Warehouskeeprs report of 104 pigs of Lead. Capt : ffreke requesting yt his men may be sent aboard is desired to give a list of whom he will keep & whom discharge.

Mr William ffraser Warehouskeepr delivers in the report of 104 Pigs of Lead received from ship Samuel Candys 66 : m. 3. th. 5. Capt : ffreke requesting that some of ye : men ship'd by him aboard ship Samuel in England, and who are now ashore, may be sent aboard said Ship, Hee was desired to deliver a list of all the men mentioning whom he intended to continue in the ships service and whom to discharge.

Capt ffreke desires to be dispatch't for Bengall yt fitt his ship.

Capt : Freke allsoe urgeing that hee designing to carry his ship to Bengall to fitt, the time of year requires, hee make hast, and enquireing of him what time he could bee ready to saile, he answered us this weeke and desires us to give him a dispatch, whereunto this answer (upon consideration) was given him that if he did designe to goe to Bengall, it is probable the Commissary Generall might thinke fitt to take his Passage on the ship being designed to goe suddainly thither & there-

* 'Evans' in the I.O. copy.

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fore wee could not give him a possitive answer thereunto till wee rec^d an answer from his Excellency concerning it, in order to which wee will dispatch Letters to him, and doubt not but to have an answer in five days time, in the meanwhile wee are ready to assist him in anything that lyes in our Power towards fitting his ship.

Pags 51 : 4 : 3 ordered to be paid Mr Pitt for freight of 69 Bales.

Ordered that Pag^s : 30 : be paid Mr John Pitt for freight of 40 Bales, and pag^as : 21 : 27 fa: freight of 29 Bales, rec^d from ffort St David at two severall times by sloop Thomas and Sarah, deducting fan^s : 22 : ½ for charge of 40 pieces of cloth damag'd and rewashed, the whole being Pag^s : 51 : 4 : 3.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Dispatch't a Generall of this days date to his Excell^cy : the Commissary Generall accompanied with one to the Honble : Christian Pouch Governour of Danesberg ffort.

3. In the afternone Capt : Ffreke delivered the President a List of men belonging to his ship as followeth.

Capt ffrekes list of men yt left his ship without Leave.

A list of mens names that forceably left ye ship Samuell at Trincombar Vizt,

1. James Austin Boatswain.
2. Thomas Mulford Carpenter. ×
3. Stephen Alanson Calker. ×
4. John Wells Boats Mate.
5. Robert Marker.
6. John Kenersly Senr.
7. John Kenersly Junr.
8. John Scudder.
9. Laurence Burstall.
10. Thomas Lathan. ×
11. Arius Joanna.
12. Mathias Stoakes.
13. Henry Walton. ×

the 4 men that are crossed I would willingly have on board againe, the rest are such mutinous fellows that it is dangerous to carry them in a ship.

TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM ZULPHAKER CAWN TO THE GENERAL & GOVERNOUR OF MADRASPATAM.

I rec^d : your lre and observe the contents thereof I have wrote to Ishmael Cawns servants att Sadrasspatnam, about your cast away ship, and order'd them without any molestation to lett your People carry away your goods in the same manner you must often accquaint me of your affairs, and I shall be allwaies ready to carry on you[r] buissinesse.

Translate of a Perwanna from Zullphaker Cawn, to Ishmaell Cawn's serv^ts : at Sadrassapatam dated June 24th : 1693 rec^d : y^e : 30th.

No date recd June 30th 1693.

I understand by the English Generall & Govr : lre : that a ship belonging to them laden with goods from Tevenapatam was driven on Shoare by Sadrassapatam the English comeing to carry away their goods, you hinder'd them, therefore I write you this, that they may carry away their goods &c^a : without any hindrance.

4. Ship Samuel haveing her colours and foretopsail loose in a sailing Posture, the Presid^t Mr Dolben and Mr Wheeler mett (Mr Ffraser absent) and not knowing what Capt : Ffrekes designe might bee g[a]ve orders to M^r : Wheeler to take care that noe Englishmen went off in any Boat without his notice, and ye Cheif Peon was order'd to appoint two peons to watch Capt Ffrekes motions, and the Cheif Dubash orderd to goe to the Avaldar of S^t : Thoma, to take order that noe Englishmen might be permitted to goe of in their boats without our leave.

—— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1693 ——

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 6TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT AND GOVR :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to sell all the graine, reserving onely enough for the use of the [ships] till January next.

Warehous-keepr ordered to sell ye graine.

Alba a Persian Murdered by his servant having noe relations here, and his Estate and Debts being unknowne, to prevent any future unreasonable demands on the Rt: Honble: Company, as have been sometimes made on the like occassion, It is ordered that Agemondelle, Mulla Mossam, Ribo Amenedeen, Mahmood Aushan, Emaun Cooley, Hajee Morellee, Hajar Abdulla Persians, and Cojee Gregory, Cojee Stephen, Cojee Saffur Armenians, together wth: the Choultry Justices doe tomorrow morning cause an exact Inventory to be taken of all money and goods found in his house, and that his accots: be in their presence declared and stated by ye: Mull[a] who kept them, and a report of all made to us. Cyprian Green Purser of ship Sampson having complained of an Error in the accot: of the Custome of goods Imported by Do Ship, It is referr'd to Mr: Wheeler to examine his objections by the Conicoply Accot: of the sea side, and Seagate, and to determine it as he finds reason.

Persons ordered to take an accot of Alba ye Persian's Estate who was murdered by his serve.

Mr Wheeler ordered to examine Mr. Greens complaint.

Ordered that Peter Leger be entred into the Gunroome Crew, and that Antonio de Solo, Bastian de Fonseca, Ventura de Sosa, and Domingo Mendosa be taken in soldiers to supply the place of four men lately run. Capt: Freke haveing requested that four of his men now ashoare may be sent aboard for ye: present service of the ship, they were sent for and charged to repaire aboard, but they alledgeing that Capt: Freke had discharged them, hee was sent for, and denyed it. Wee declared to them that wee did not know any power Capt: Freke had to discharge these, or ye rest of his men, and therefore offered to the Capt: to deliver them all to him, whome wee have hitherto kept together at some charge, But hee answered he had occassion for noe more then these four, and that he would not carry the rest being troublesome men, and that he would answr: all dammages for discharging them, these four men Thomas Mulford Carpenter, Robert Alanson Caulker and Thomas Lathan, and Henry Walton Seamen requesting leave of the Capt: that they may stay ashore two or three days hee granted it.

4 Men order'd to [be] entd in ye Gunroom and as soldiers.

Capt Ffrekes men ordd to goe aboard.

Some of Capt Ffrekes men pleaseing to stay 3 or 4 days ashore ye Capt granted it.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

9TH.

Received a Generall from his Excellency, and another from the Deputy Governr: &ca: Councill of Ffort St David both dated the 4th Instant.

Received a Generall from his Excellency dated July the 7th: adviseing that Governr: Pitt wth: all the fleet sailed on the 5th Inst: * towards Negapatam, and his Excellency's intention of setting out for this place on the 8th Instant.

* The I.O. copy read 'the 6th.'

—— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1693 ——

MONDAY 10TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: AND GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Presidt pd into ye Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags: 3000 at Interest. Presidt paid into cash pa: 394 : 23 : 3 accot: Custome of gold coined in ye Mint.

The President delivering into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags 3,000 at Interest 9 ꝑ Cent ꝑ anñ for six months, It is ordered that a bond be given for the same accordingly. Hee allso paid into Cash Pags: 394: 23: 3: accots: custome of gold coined in the Mint.

The Merchts: haveing been ordered to consider and propound what sorts of cloth and the quantity of each are procureable in these parts, they this day brought musters of the following Goods, whereof about 10,000 Pags: may be invested in six months.

					covds		
	No. 11 Morees	covds	39 long :		$2\frac{1}{16}$ broad at	Pags:	22 ꝑ Corge.
	12 Morees Dutch	,,	$17\frac{1}{2}$	,,	$2\frac{3}{4}$	,,	25.
3 threds	1 Ginghams striped	,,	14	,,	$1\frac{1}{2}$	,,	17 : 9 : two musters.
3 ...	2 ,,	,,	$14\frac{1}{2}$	,,	$1\frac{1}{2}$	,,	18 : 9.
	3 ,,	,,	15	,,	$1\frac{3}{4}$	,,	12 : 18 : two musters.
	4 ,,	,,	11	,,	$1\frac{7}{16}$	,,	5 : 18.
	5 ,,	,,	14	,,	$1\frac{1}{2}$	,,	9 : 0.
	6 ,,	,,	$15\frac{1}{2}$	,,	$1\frac{1}{8}$	,,	11 : 0.
	7 ,,	,,	15	,,	$1\frac{5}{8}$	,,	11 : 18.

Besides which they are of opinion that about 30,000 Pags: may be invested in the following goods whereof the Rt: Honble: Company have musters vizt.

Long cloth ordry : Pags: 10000.	Beteela's 40 covds 1000.
Salampores ord : ,, 8000.	Ditto 50 ,, 1000.
Ginghams 40 covds 1000.	Morees : supr fine 1000.
Ditto 16 covds 3000	Neck cloths fine 1000.
Neck cloths ordry : ps 4000.	

Mr Wheeler pd into ye Rt Honble Comps Cash Pa: 3000 accot Sea Custome.

Mr James Wheeler paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 3,000 on accot: Sea Custome, and read his accots: of Sea Customs for the month of May last vizt.

Accot: Custome of goods Importd and Exported this month	Pa.	1315	12	2
Do. of Graine as ꝑ accot:	,,	353	31	2
Do. Anchorage	,,	31	0	0
Do. Tonnage	,,	69	16	0
		1769	23	4

Peter Russell permitted to goe master elip George.

Peter Russell late Master of Gingerlee Briggantine being Indebted (besides Pags: 31 : 14 : fa : lately paid) Pags: 198 : 22 : 0 and not capable of paying and hee being offer'd a good employ in ship George bound for Tenasseree, and requesting leave to proceed thereon, Leave is accordingly granted Senhr: Francisco Mendez the owner haveing given his obligation for paying unto the Rt: Honble: Compa: all the wages wch: shall be due to the said Russell above three months wages Impress'd for supplying him wth: necessaries for the voyage.

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Futta Jung Chawns Servant who brought the Princes Husbull Aumer concerning Shauls and Ellephants haveing done his buisiness and ready to depart, and the Land Custome &c^{a} of ye shauls remaining yet unpaid, thô Order had been given to the Cheif Dubash & Conicoplies of ye Choultry and the brokers, soe to order the matter that the Custome may be paid part by the buyers (our Town Inhabitants) but they haveing failed therein so that [*lacuna in the original*] do's come to demand whether hee must pay the Custome &c^{a} for his masters goods. It is upon good consideration resolv'd that the same be not demanded for the following reasons 1st there never came any goods in the like nature from the Camp but once, and then the Custome was remitted. 2^{d}. It will bee noe losse to the Company more then the amount, for goods not useing to come from the Camp it can be noe ill president, 3^{d}: Futta Jung Cawn is a person of soe great Interest wth Prince Azzum Tarra's, that it would be convenient to present him wth: rather a greater summ, and wee have made his servant sensible of our ꝑticular respect to Futta Jung Cawn therein, whereupon he has promised to doe us right to his master, having order from him to assure us he would doe us any Kindnesse lay in his power if wee had occasion to apply to the Prince. 4. It will at least be a means to hinder his being our Enimy, at a time when many are seeking occations against us upon the acco^{t}: of the increase of the Customs and revenues of this place, concerning w^{ch} : there haveing been many complaints made att the Camp, this Instance will be a good plea against them. After much discourse with him upon ye afore mentioned points, wee dismissed him with a Tashereefe of six swords and two Looking glasses.

Futta Jung Cawns Shauls to pay no Custome.

A Tashereefe of 6 swords and 2 looking [glasses] gave Futta Jung Cawns servt.

The two Goorsbandars from Azzum Tarras complaining to us that Cojee Gregory after ten days waiting on him, had made no provision of the things required for the Princes use, the Cheif Dubash was ordered to goe to Cojee Gregory and desire him to dispatch their buisinesse, the list of things to be provided and the money haveing been sent to him from the Princes servants.

The Chief Dubash order'd to goe to Cojee Gregory and desire him to dispatch ye Princes servants wth the list of things he promised to provide for ym.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

His Excellency the Commissary comeing this morñ: to the Mount, the President and Councill, and severall of the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: servants and Inhabitants went thither to accompany his Entrance into Towne w^{ch}: was in the evening. 11

Received a Generall Lre from ffort S^{t}: David dated the 10th Instant. 13

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 13.

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY S^{R} JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T} : COM̃^{S} GEN^{LL}
THE HON^{BLE}: NATH : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R}: PRESID^{T}: AND GOV^{R}:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE

MR W^{M} FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Generall from ffort St David adviseing that our silver fanams passe there Currently. It is therefore ordered that Pag^{s} 300 in said fanams be sent thither by their returned Peons.

300 Pags: in fanams order'd to be sent to ffort S^{t}. David.

Ordered that Henry Turpin bee entertained in the Gunroom Crew.

Henry Turpin to be entertained in y^{e}: Gunroom.

[13TH] —— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1693* ——

The Merchts: offer to Invest 30,000 pags. to be brot. in, in Decbr: and January.

The Merchants being sent for were order'd to produce other musters of the Ginghams &c^{a} new sorts, made wth: more threads and without conjee and after much discourse about their former losses &c^{a}: onely came to this resolve, that they will undertake an Investment of 30000 Pag^{s}: to bee brought in, in the months of December & January vizt to the amount of 25,000 Pag^{s}: in the Goods whereof wee have old musters, and Pag^{s}: 5000 in Goods whereof new musters are to bee made, which are made in or neare Madrasse. The Term's to bee concluded on Monday next.

Mr. Nicks petitions for Enlargmt.

Mr Nicks sent a Petition for an enlargem^{t} for his health's sake, entered in the Booke of letters.

J: GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

13 Generall to ffort St David of this days date, sent wth: 300: Pag^{s}: in fanams by their returned Peons.

14 Gave a Pass to ship Mahomod Fattehee, Ishmaell Haw, Master bound for Queda.

16 In the evening information being given that M^{r}: Baroon had been tampering wth: some of the soldiers of our Garrison to draw them wth: him to Siam, whither he is designed to goe speedily and for the better carrying on his designe had left his Lodging in Town & lived two days in a Parriar Portuguez house in the Copang, where the Siam Embassador (so called) has been in private with him, the Commissary ordered the Capt: of the Guard to bring him, who upon examination, owning that he design'd for Siam, and had discours'd with one of our soldiers, the Capt: of the Guard was ordered to secure him for a further examination.

MONDAY 17.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELL^{CY}: S^{R} JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}: COMISSARY GEN^{LL}:
THE HON^{BLE} NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R}: PRESID^{T} AND GOVERN^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILL^{M}: FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr. Holcombe examin'd concerning his goods on ye four Brothers

M^{r}: Simon Holcombe haveing made oath before the Commissary that the amount of his goods mentioned in the charge exhibited by President Yale against M^{r} ffraser, to be travers'd from a sloop aboard ship Four Brothers in this road, in the year 1690: amounted to Pag^{s}: 2200: for which the then traversing Custome of $2\frac{1}{2}$ ℔ Cent had not been paid by him, pretending the same was not due because the Permissive Bengall goods belonging to President Yale &c^{a}: traversed from Ship Williamson aboard ship Rochester had been by order of Consultation then excused from paying the Traversing Custome, But the same haveing been since adjudged by the Commissary to be payable, Mr Holcombe's Attorney now pays into the R^{t} Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s}: 55:—in full of the then traversing Custom for the said Goods.

His Attorney Payes Pag^{s}: 55 into Cash.

Mint acco^{t}: read for ye mos: of May and June.

The President read his acco^{t}: of Custom for Gold coined in the mint for the month of May amo^{t}: to Pag^{s}: 77: 22: and June Pag^{s}: 42: 12: 3.

Capt: Freke delivers in a paper.

Capt: Freke haveing delivered in a Paper today under his hand and seale, It is ordered that the same be entred next after this Consultation.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1693—— [20TH]

To His Exc^y: S^R: John Goldsborough
Kn^T: Commissary Generall
The Honble Nath: Higginson Presid^T:
The Worsp^ll: John Dolben Esq^R &c^A Councill.

May it please your Exc^y: &c^a.

The ship Samuel being now fitted in all things w^ch: I can obtain or gett in this Port of Madrass, I have a desire to goe with her into Bengall to compleat the fitting, victualling and manning her that shee may be made capable for to enter the service of the Honble: the Governour and Company of Merchants of London Trading to East India according to the Covenant of Charterparty agreed on signed and sealed in England, some time before our comeing from thence, between the said Gover^r: & Company o[n] the one part, and Mr Samuel Cudworth and Mr John Sewell Merchants and part owners, and myselfe p[a]rt owner, Marriner & Master in behalfe of the owners of the said ship Samuel on the other part w^ch: covenant of Charterparty haveing by the delivery of the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: lead laden on me in England for this Port, according to the Judgem^t: of the Court of Admiralty of Fort St. George, and by my now declaration owned to be in force on the part of the owners, and myselfe, I doe here by humbly intreat that it may be acknowledged by the Commissary and President & Councill, soe to be on the part of y^e: said Honble: the Governour and Company, and that orders may be given to the Agent and Councill in Bengall, to receive her into and imploy in the said service, when shee shall upon survey (to bee by them appointed) appear fully and compleatly fitted [victualled] and manned, w^th: stores and provisions, and made every way fitt for the said service, according to the forementioned Charterparty, and further I declare it is my intention that shee shall goe to noe other place but Calicuttee if the freshes doe not hinder, but in such case I intend shee shall goe into Ballasore River to be fitted as aforesaid, and that I have noe other intention but to fitt her for the R^t Honble: Compa^s: service as aforesaid, I doe hereby oblige myselfe and ship and owners to performe the said Covenant of Charterparty on our parts, and humbly intreat orders may be given for the soe doeing on the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: parts, taking the liberty to accquaint your Exc^y: &c^a: that the time expressed in the Charterparty Limitted for the ships tarrying in India, is the 20th: of January Anno Domini: 169¾ Dated in ffort St. George July the 17th 1693. (Capt: Frekes paper.)

P^R. me W^M. Freke

(Signed & sealed in the presence of Thomas Wigmore Saml^ll: Lash.)

Ship Loyall Captain Henry Burton Comander sailed for Bengall.

Att a Consultation (Thursda 20th)

Present

His Excell^cy: S^R: John Goldsborough Kn^T: Comissary Gen^ll:
The Honble Nath: Higginson Esq^R: Presid^T and Goven^R
John Dolben Esq^R: Judge Advocate.
MR W^M Fraser MR James Wheeler.

M^r W^m: ffraser Warehousekeeper read his acco^ts for the months of March, Aprill and May which were past Errours Excepted. (Warehouse keepr reads his accot^s for March, Aprill and May.)

M^r. Daniel Acworths lre from Rettorra dated the 31st of May in answer to one sent him by the Commissary, from hence the 13th of last Aprill, was [received] together with severall clauses of the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: letters to the President and Councill att Surratt, about ffortifying at Rettorra, and severall clauses of the said President and Councills letters to Callicutt relating to the same, and to the secureing the trade of that place which place affording plenty of Pepp r, Cloth, Cassia Lignum &c^a. Commodities, is not to be rejected or lett alone any longer, Because it will inevitably fall into the hands of the Dutch if by a Fortification it be not suddainly prevented by us from hence, Because the present condition of the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: affaires at Surratt and Bombay will in noe wise give us for them from thence to doe it. The Commissary is therefore of opinion that there (Considerations concerning Fortifying at Rettorra.)

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[20TH] be sent thither from hence men, money, provisions, matterialls, Gunns and Amunition what can be spared, according to a list thereof to be drawn and approved by us with wch: Wee doe readily concur, and to send the same by one of the Rt: Honble: Comps: small ships either Saphir or Maddapollam, whome wee expect here, and that they be sent hence soe soone as the season (wch: will be in October next) will permit wth orders to build a Convenient ffort upon the a hill called Brinjohn or thereabouts, where it shall be thought best for that Purpose, according to Mr Acworths advice in his said Letter haveing regard for good water, and to fortify the same with all convenient speed, and to this Purpose that Mr John Brab[or]ne be sent thither as Cheife with full power and Instructions to [nego]tiate and treat with the Queen of Attinga & [her] two Secretaries, and to conclude upon Priviledges and liberties needfull to be obtained, for our [trading] abiding, fortifying, and securing the trade of those parts to the Rt: Honble: Company seeing those allready agreed wth: the Queen are not to be found at Surratt or elsewhere as Mr Acworth advises, nor are not [re]membred what they were, and the better to compleat and bring to pass this worke, it is our [opinion] that there be sent with the Chief 30 or 40 Souldiers one halfe English, and the other halfe Topasses (Besides what are there allready) and an officer to Command them under the Cheife, whoe is to follow such orders & Instructions as shall be given him now by ye: Commissary: or as hereafter he shall receive from the President & Councill of Surratt, under which Presidency that [place] is ordered by our Rt: Honble: Masters, or from any person authorised by them, allsoe it is necessary to send [3] or 4 Masons, and two good Smiths, and a Gun [ner] that has good judgement in ffortification.

Presidt reads his accot: Cash for ye mo June.

The President read his accot: of the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash for the month of June, the ballance being Pags: 55 : 2 [. . .] as allsoe the Accots: of Cash for the Month of May was read in the Month of June but omitted to be taken notice of in Consultation the ballance of Cash then being Pags: 18390 : 15 : 2.

An anchor taken up by ye Mucquaws & ¼ part allowed them for their paines.

An Anchor being taken up by the Mucquaw[s] in the Road and brought ashore the President sold the same for pags: 28 : and it is ordered that ¾ be paid into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash and [¼ to the] mucquaw men for their paines, and that they receive the same proportion of all they find in the road, to encourage them to cleane [for] it, and the Sea Customer doe for the future take care to see the order performed, & make entry an accot: of [sal] vage in his Monthly accot: of Sea Customs.

Land Customer to receive rents of ye new Townes.

Ordered that the Land Customer doe receive the rents of Yegmore &ca: ne[w] Townes, and accot: Monthly for the same under which head is to be entred in the Generall Books, as well the Money recd by the rents, as the money Expended for the purchase, Vizt. the presents made to Zulphaker Cawn and Cassim Cawn &ca on receipt of Assid Cawn's Perwanna, and the charges of Conicoplies Peons Soldiers &ca.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

21 Dispatch't a Lr̃e: dated the 18th to Johannes Potviliet Phisician to Prince Azzam Tarra's & Motakid Cawn by the 2 Goorsbordars who were tashereift wth: a pieece of silke & 2 swords.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 24.

Present

HIS EXCELLENCY S^{R}: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KN^{T}: COMMISS^{Y}: GEN^{LL}:
THE HON^{BLE} NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}: & GOV^{R}:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR W^{M} FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Attorney Generall demand of Presidt Yale Pag^{s} 234: 5: 1 ca.

Ordered that the Attorney Generall doe demand of President Yale 234 Pag : 5 fa. 1 ca : for money expended by Mr Focquett and Owen att Vizagapatam, by reason of his ordering them by [his single] power to seperate from the ffactories and if he doeth not pay it, to proceed against him for it in the Admiralty Court, allsoe that he doe Proceed against Messrs John Nicks, Ffrancis Bett, and Samuel Owen, for Dammages the R^{t}: Honble: Company sustained by the Porto Novo Cloth Provided when Mr Nicks was Cheif of Conimeere and that place and the Secretary is hereby ordered to give the Attorney Generalls notice hereof.

redwood to be laden on the Briggantine.

Ordered that the Warehouskeeper doe cause to be laden aboard the Briggantine Gingerlee soe much of the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: redwood as the Master of her shall require, to be consign'd to the Agent and Councill in Bengall.

M^{r} ffraser payes Pa: 32 on acco^{t}. Freight

Mr William ffraser warehouskeep^{r} paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{e}: Cash pag^{s}: 32. acco^{t}: ffreight on the Saphire ffriggett from Goa.

Commission & Instructions to ye chief & 2d at Rettorra read & concluded.

The Co\~missaries Commission & Instructions to Mr John Braborne Cheif and Mr Daniel Acworth Second at Rettorra in the Queen of Attingas Countrey was read and concluded.

List of Genll stores delivered by Pitt.

Mr William ffraser delivered in a list of stores, as rec^{d}: from M^{r}: Pitt late Storekeep^{r}: as ℘ order of Consultation of the 11th: of May last.

Capt Freke delivers in a Paper, requeeting to goe to Bengall.

Capt: ffreke haveing delivered in a Paper under his hand and seale dated the 17th Instant, wherein he desires to goe to Bengall, to compleat the fitting victualling and manning his ship Samuel, that she may be made capable to enter the service of the R^{t}: Honble: Company, according to the Covenant of his charter party, which he does accknowledge to be in force and prays it may be accknowledged soe on the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: part, and that orders may be given to the Agent and Councill in Bengall to receive her into the said service when shee shall by survey (by them) appointed appear every way fitt for the same, this being considered, it is ordered that Capt: ffreke may if he pleases goe with his ship Samuel into Bengall and when he hath soe fitted his ship, that the Agent and Councill there have satisfaction that she is fitt for the Service of the R^{t}: Honble: Company, they are to receive her into the said service and employ her accordingly.

he is granted leave.

J. GOLDSBOROUGH.
NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

25TH

Deliver'd a Pass for ship Bone Viageo Daniel Goeres Master bound for Queda.

Sloop Thomas & Sarah arriv'd from Fort St David wth: 30 Bales of the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{ae}: and a Generall lr̃e dated y^{e} 22^{d} Instant.

Rec^{d}: a Gen^{ll}: lr̃e from Callicutt dated y^{e}: [*lacuna in original.*] Ins^{t}: directed to y^{e}: Co\~misary wth: another from y^{e} Master of y^{e}: W^{m}: Yatch, adviseing y^{t}: S^{d}: Yatch was cast away to the Southw^{d}: of that place, & all her men saved except 4 lascars.

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Thursday 27th.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

HIS EXCELLCY: SR: JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH KNT: COMISSARY GENLL:
THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM FFRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Judge's report about ye Towne Conicoplyes Cowles.

The Judge haveing reported that he had tried the validity of the several Cowles formerly given to the Town Conicoply Mote Linga, and had given Judgement that they were not void, but voidable at the pleasure of the Honble: Company or the Government here.

his cowle to be laid aside.

Ordered that the town Conicoply Cowle be laid aside, or suspended untill wee have farther considered about it, and that the duties be continued by Conicoplies of the Rt Honble: Comps: to be recd: as has hitherto been by the Town Conicoply, and lodged In the Choultry, and an accot: thereof kept distinct untill wee shall determine how to dispose of the same, and the President and Councill are desired in the absence of the Commissary to find out some Employment or way for a maintenance for the man who was town Conicoply.

Examination of ye Fort St David People.

The Examination of Gruapa expence Braminy, Vincatradry Cheif Peon, & Rama Linga ye: Mint Braminy at ffort St David who were examined over by the Commissary and Mr Hatsell, lately when the Commissary was there, being read and in it the mint Braminy Rama Linga for coyning falce fanams, and Muttee Chittee the mint sharof for being concern'd therein wth: Rama Linga, are left there in Prison, and are to be fined for their soe doeing as aforesaid by the Commissary and President and Councill here, which cannot be well done till wee have an accot: of how many fans of each sort or stamp was coined from Mr Haynes, who hath them at Fort St David, and is at present here, therefore it is ordered in the absence of the Comissary, the President and Councill are to order Mr. Haynes to produce and send hither those accots: as soon as Possible, and then they are to proceed to sett a fine upon the said Rama Linga and Muttee Chittee, for the frauds they have comitted and breach of their obligations.

Mr Pitt payes Pagos: 4: 24: 2. on accot: of Mr Wavell's debt.

Mr Pitt paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pagos 4: 24: 2: the ballance of Mr Wavells Debt in the Generall Books K: K except one thousand Pags: which he stands Indebted for as warehouskeeper, concerning which the Judge reports that in the cause against Mr Yale late President for Pags: one thousand taken by him out of the Honble: Comps: Cash, It did by plaine proof appeare that the thousand Pags: yt: was then in Cash over and above the balance was paid in by Mr Wavell for which by his mistake, he never had credit, and the said President Yale haveing by Judgement of Court paid the said summe of one thousand Pags: with Interest, in the sume of 3489 Pags: paid into ye Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash on the 21st March and the accot: of Cash in the Generall Books for that time being even, It is ordered that Mr Wavells debt of one thousand Pags: bee in the Generall Books LL: cleared by account Elihu Yale.

The Pagos: 1000 to be cleared by accot: Elihu Yale.

The Attorney Generall to demand of Mr Haynes & Mr Mountague pd 250.

Ordered that the Attorney Generall make demand of Mr John Haynes and Mr Mountague for 250 pags: for halfe the dammage the Rt: Honble : Company have sustained by their consenting to lett Capt Heath have a parcell of China Root & Gallingall for his own use, that was bought and paid for, and by bill of lading laded for accot: of the Rt: Honble: Compa: their masters, and upon their refuseall of paying the same to proceed against them in ye Admiralty Court.

Buggs Petition to be examined.

Ordered that the Attorney Generall doe Examine into the petition of Bugg once Mr Cheneys servant, and proceed in it as the cause shall appeare upon Examination and enquirey into it, of ye fraud committed in the warehouse.

Presents to Prince Cawn Bux to be enquired into.

The Presents sent to Prince Cawn Bux &ca by Governour Yale being thought to be overvalued the President and Councill are to enquire into ye matter and proceed therein as they shall see cause.

Liuetenants how settled.

Livetenant Seaton haveing desired a determination concerning his manner of Command to be made before the Commissary goes hence for Bengall, It is

thought fitt to order that each Lieutenant shall have the command of his own Company, and receive orders from the Governour on his guard day; but if either of the Lieutenants be sick or absent, the other Lieut: shall supply his place and that another Ensigne be made for Lieut: Seatons Compa: who is appointed to be Robert Gibbons, and the Secrety: is ordered to prepare a Commission for his soe being.

new Ensigne made.

Serjt: Lindsay to be sent for from Fort St: David.

Ordered that Serjeant Lindsey now att ffort St: David be called hither.

Mr: James Wheeler Sea Customer paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 1000 on accot: Sea Custome.

Sea Customer payes Ps: 1000.

Ordered that one thousand Pags: be paid Mr: Thomas: Wright Provisionall Paymaster to defray Garrison Charges.

Ps: 1000: paid ye: Paymastr.

J. Goldsborough.
Nat: Higginson.
Jo: Dolben.
Will: Fraser.
James Wheeler.

27TH Sloope Quintas belonging to the Danes at Trincombar, arrived with 120 Piggs: of the Samuels: Lead, wth: a letter from Governr: C: Paves to the Commissary &ca: dated the 21st: Instant.

29TH His Excellency the Commissary Generall in the afternoon went on Board the Gingerlee Briggantine for Bengall and with him three Writers Vizt: Batson Pearson, Wm: Bugden, & Samuel Lash, allsoe Doctor Foucitt; and a Generall was sent to the Agent &ca: Councill in Bengall of this dayes date, &a Packett for the Rt: Honble: Company with a Generall dated ye: 26th: Instant.

his Excellency sailes for Bengall.

Att a Consultation — Monday 31.

Present

The Honble: Nathanll: Higginson Esqr: Presidt: & Governr:
John Dolben Esqr: Judge Advocate
Mr: William Fraser Mr: James Wheeler.

Ordered that ye: Warehousekeepr: doe deliver to Dr: Browne two maunds of Salt Petre, and four maunds of Copperice to make Aqua fortis, for the use of the Assay Master, There being 120 Piggs of the Samuels: Lead came upon the Danes Sloope from Trincombar, It is agreed that the Presidt: (in whose possession lyes Pags: 1130, attached in ye: hands of Capt: Burton) may pay Capt: Freke Pagos: 500: thereof, he pleading his necessity for the same in order to the Dispatch of his ship for Bengall.

Aqua fortis to be made. 120 Piggs of ye Samlls: Lead recd: 500 Ps: to be paid Capt Freke.

Ordered that ye: Fort House be puld down forthwith, severall of the main Beams, proveing rotten in ye: ends, and the General Table bee removed to Mr: Jearseys house. The Books, Papers & Cash that formerly kept in ye: Consultation room, to one of ye: Curtain Chambers.

Fort house to be puld downe.

Ordered that the West end of the new stables being so crackt and defective for about 20 foot, that probably twill fall in ye: next raines, be puld down so far as is necessary, and a new Wall built up at that end.

part of ye: new stable to be puld downe.

The Warehousekeepr: haveing by order of Consultation Provided Persia Wine, Rose Water and Fruit, to ye: Vallue of about 500: Pags: in order to a Present, wch: was then thought necessary to have been made to Prince Azum Tarra, whose coming into these parts was dayly expected, but haveing good advice, that he is by the Mogulls order recalled; and there being no other present occasion for such a quantity, The Warehousekeepr: is ordered to sell all, except the Rosewater & Wine, at the best rates he can gett.

Persia fruit to be sold

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[31st]

Pa: 600 pd: by ye Warehousekeepr. Secry: pays in Pa: 58: 12: fa.

Mr: William Fraser Warehousekeepr: paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Companyes Cash Pagos: 600, for accot: Goods sold.

Mr: Francis Bett Secry: read accot: Passes from March to June last, and paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pa: 58: 12 fa for two third parts of the amount thereof.

Pa: 300 pd: ye: Presidt.

Ordered that Pagos: 300 be paid to the Presidt: on a Bill drawn by Mr: Wm: Hatsell &ca: Councill of Fort St: David for soe much paid into the Rt: Honble: Companyes Cash there.

Report of Fort St David fanms.

The Presidt: reports the last five fanams, wch: came from ffort St: David to be but 4 matt, and tis ordered that 5 more be sent for to make a second Assay.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

TUESDAY AUGUST 1ST.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR: WILLIAM FRASER MR: JAMES WHEELER.

3 Generll letters dispatcht.

Generall letters to his Excellency in Bengall, to Fort St: David and the Governr: of Trincombar of this date.

Mr Baroon releas'd.

Mr: Baroon haveing been for some time confined to ye: ffort to prevent his Designe of drawing Souldiers and Inhabitants away to accompany him to Siam, who were to take their passage on a Moors ship, bound for Tenasserim, but that ship being gone and no other bound thither, but the ship Annapourna belonging to Francisco Mendez, who has given obligation not to carry any without Leave, It is ordered that Mr: Baroon have his Liberty, and allso the Portuguez, at whose house he Lodg'd some time, in the Copang, for manageing a private Treaty with the Siam Embassadr: resident at St: Thoma.

reports of Mr Tho: Yale's action.

Judge Dolben reports that in the action against Mr: Thomas Yale, in the Court of Admiralty, for the Damages sustained by ye: Rt: Honble: Compa: in his voyage to China ℣ shipp Defence, the Court have decreed him to pay Pags: 250: for a parcell of China root and Gallingall bought for the Company, wch: he converted to his own use, as allsoe 312 Pagos: more for freight & Custome of other persons goods, by him brought upon ditto ship, and clandestainly carryed away, some under the Compas: marke, & some upon his own pretended priviledge ffor all wch: he received the ffreight of the Proprietors, but never brought it to the Companyes accot: Severall other Demands appearing to arise from him & his Councill, were not thought fitt to be determin'd in this action where he alone was Defendant.

The Attorney Generall to make demands of him.

The Attorney Generall is ordered to demand the said money of Mr: Thomas Yale, and in case of refusall to pay, take out an execution upon his Person & Goods, and next Court day to move that his gold attached in ye: hands of Capt: Brooks may be condemn'd.

A pardon for a fugetive orderd.

Pedro Pares a ffrenchman who ran from this Garrison to the Moors Camp, where Doctor Brown meeting with him brought him from thence towards Madrass, but stayes in the way till he can be assured of a Pardon, & Doctor Brown giveing us great assurance of his reall intentions of serveing the Rt: Honble: Compa: faithfully, for ye future, It is orderd that a Pardon be sent him.

12 Englishmen entertained in ye Gunroom.

Ordered that twelve Englishmen be entertained in ye: Gunroom Crew Vizt: John Browne, John Hodgson, Matthew Carter, James Austin, William Rice,

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Thomas Gibson, Richard Hins, Nicholas Donnell, Robert Mevill, William Johnson, Peter Johnson, Hambrooke, John Carneiro.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

To PEDRO PARES,

Allthough you have done amiss, in deserting your Colours, and the Rt: Honble: Compas: service you were obliged to; or may have otherwise offended our Laws, yet hearing of your repentance, and sorrow for your fault, and inclinations to returne to your duty, These are therefore to assure you of a full and free Pardon for your offence, which wee hereby give and confirme, by the authority of their Majesties our Gracious King & Queen of England &ca: as by their Royall Charter, given to their Rt: Honble: East India Company; and from them derived to us their President and Councill of ffort St. George, and that upon your arrivall you shall be entertained here in their service, according to your Capacity, at ye: accustomed Pay as others in the same places doe now receive, given under our hands, and the Rt: Honble: Compas: Seale at ffort St. George in the City of Madrass this 2nd: Day of August, Anno Domini 1693. Pardon.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Ship Samuel Capt: Wm: Freke Commander sail'd for Bengall. 2

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 3D.

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Mr Stone having paid unto Mr· Thomas Wright Paymastr: in the month of July last silver fanams as they were coyn'd out of the Mint, to the amount of Pagds: 1903: 10fa: It is ordered that ye same be this day entred in the accot: of Cash, as recd: & paid. Pas: 1903: 10fa: recd & paid.

Ordered that Mr: Francis Brough, being in our opinion ye fittest person for such a business, be entertained Steward in ye: room of Mr Edward King and Mr: King doe forthwith deliver up all in his Custody to Mr Brough, who is to be allowed Six Pagodoes ℘ mensem and to take place at the Table next to the ffactors. Mr. Francis Brough ordered Steward.

Mr Thomas Yale haveing sent in a Paper, (coppyed next after this Consultation) the Secry: is ordered to returne him this answer that the accot: of sallary payable in England, is by known Custome made up in England by the Rt: Honble: Compa: and wee have noe authority to pay it here. Mr. Thomas Yale sends in a Paper. Upon a second surveigh of the new Stable, it appearing capable of repairing, in ye: opinion of ye: Carpenters & Bricklayers; It is ordered to be repaired & not to be puld down as order'd in Consultn: 31st July last. New stable not to be puld down. In the last monsoon ye: Sea beat in upon Yorke Point soe as to endanger the foundation, to prevent which for ye future, It is ordered that a Row of Redwood Piles be made, at Ten foot distance from the Point, & a foot above ye: surface of the Earth. The place between the Piles & Point to be filled up with the rubbidge of the Fort old house. Yorke Point to be repaired.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

[3RD] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1693*—— —

HON^BLE^ S^R^ & COUNCILL.

Mr. Thomas Yales Paper. I have now had an execution warrant served upon my body and estate, for the late Judgment of Court given against me on the R^t^ Honble: Companyes behalfe, to the amo^t^: of five hundred sixty-two Pago^s^: twelve fanams with 20 Pago^s^: Court Charges thereon, w^ch^: rather then Perish in Prison, [I must] part from, now Honble: S^r^: &^ca^ the halfe sallary due to me by the Honble: Company for eleven years service, is Pago^s^: 389: 10^fa^: w^ch^: please to Creditt me for, and then I shall willingly w^th^: your Hon^rs^ ℘mission lay down the service, and pay the remaines to y^e^: Officer. Your Hon^rs^: answer to this will oblige your most hum^ble^: servant.

Fort S^t^: George y^e^: 3^d^: August, 1693

THOMAS YALE.

4TH A Dutch ship, with the Moguls Flag on ye MaintopMast head passing by this road, two Dutchmen came ashore, from Nabob Allewerde Cawne, to give notice that he was upon the ship goeing for Pollicatt, and the ship fireing 13 Gunns, the Fort answered as many, in respect to the Nabob and his Brother in Law Alle Caldera, (who has for six months past resided here) coming to y^e^: Presid^t^: for leave to goe off to the Nabob, the Presid^t^: desired him to take with him two chests of Rosewater, to Present to the Nabob. His releasm^t^: has cost him 300,000 Rup^s^; whereof the Dutch have remitted part by Bill of Exchange.

Percollu Chitu Washer, (who for twelve months past has kept his family in this Town) coming from Zulp[h]aker Cawn with his Perwanna, for the Governm^t^: of Trivelore, & Tripatore Country^s^ this day paid a Visit to the Presid^t^: and do's affirme that Zulphaker Cawn is confirm'd in the Governm^t^: of this Country, thô: the Generall report from all parts, has lately been that he is displaced. Ship

5TH Anapourna, formerly called ye George, belonging to Francisco Mendeiz, sailed from hence to St Thoma. Mr John Haynes second of Fort S^t^: David sett out for y^t^ Place.

MUNDAY 7TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^: PRESID^T^: & GOVERN^R^:

JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^: JUDGE ADVOCATE

MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Doctor Browne comeing lately from the Camp where he has been detained some time by Cossim Cawn, does informe that Azum Tarra, is returning to his

Assid Cawne Poysons himselfe. father, that Assid Cawne the G[r]and Vizeir, be[ing] sentenced by the Mogull to a disgrace, he poisoned himselfe, and that Cassim Cawn is ordered Nabob of this Country, and produced a Perrawanna from him, for the renting of six Towns adjacent to Madrass, Translate whereof is entred after this Consultation. Concerning which, it is at present concluded, that it is not expedient, that Doctor Brown doe enter upon the Towns, because the Rent payable, is not mentioned, and because Zulphaker Cawn, has yett the actuall Government of this Country and when Cossim Cawn shall take possession of y^e^: Governm^t^:, it may then be considered whether the Renting of said Towns may be allowed.

Warehous: accot: read. Mr William Fraser read his acco^t^: of the Warehouse for the month of June last.

Pgs. 247: 12 paid into Cash by Judge Dolben. Judge Dolben paid into y^e^: R^t^: Honble: Comp^as^: Cash: Pag^os^: 247: 12^fa^: being so much rec^d^ of Mr Thomas Yale in part of 562 Pagodaes the residue being supposed to be y^e^: Value of 3 pawns Gold attached and condemned in the hands of Capt: Brooks, and by him deliver'd to the Judge, wch are in performance of y^e^: Order of Court, delivered to y^e^: Assay Master, & Mint Braminy, to Assay & coyne p^z^: ozs: 36: 19: 12.

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The Merchants haveing long put off their makeing a Contract, by reason of the sickness of Timapa, the chief Merchant, and Narran the Dubash and the acco^c: of the Stock being not adjusted, which now being done to y^e: satisfaction of the two Conimeer Merchants & others, who are joyned with them in this Investm^t; & paid downe their shares of y^e: Stock at y^e: rate of 90 Pago^s: for each share, as also Timapa, who has hitherto acted as chief Merch^t: but had not till now any interest in ye Stock, Wee came to a conclusion with them upon y^e: Termes enterd next after this Consultation, and being not now furnished with Cloth, to Tashereif them according to Custome, It is deferred, either to Xtmas, or his Excellency's arrivall, and it is ordered, that upon their signing of Y^e: Contract, the first payment of Pago^s 10000 be paid them. *The Merchts contract for a new Investmt.*

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Articles of agreement made this 7th day of August 1693 between his Excellency S^r: John Goldsborough Knight Commissary Generall, & Presid^t: & Councill of Fort S^t: George, in behalfe of the R^t: Honble: English East India Company, & Timapa, Allingall &c^a: Chief Merch^ts: in behalfe of themselves &c^a Joynt Stock Merchants of ffort S^t: George, are as followes.

The said Merchants doe Contract, That they will provide for the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: acco^t: the following goods to y^e: amo^t: of P^a: 27000 to be sorted by the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: Musters Vizt: *Merchts: Contract.*

	long.	broad.	No.	Pa.	fa.	Pagos.	fa.
Longcloth Ord^ry	72 :	$2\frac{1}{4}$	1 :	at 23 :	27 : ꝑ cor.	1000	
			24 :	25 :	—		
			2 :	26 :	9		
			3 :	27 :	18		
Ditto blue			D :	30 :	27		
			D ┼ :	29 :	18		
Ditto Browne			6 :	26 :	9		
Sallampores	32 :	$2\frac{1}{8}$	3 :	at 11 :	18 ꝑ cor.	4000	
			9 :	12 :	—		
Ditto Browne			3 :	11 :	18		
			9 :	12 :	—		
Ginghams	40 :	$2\frac{3}{4}$	35 :	at 65 :	—	2000	
			35 ┼ :	60 ·	— ꝑ cor.		
Ginghams Thread	16 :	$1\frac{7}{8}$	34 ·	at 32 :	—	3000	
			34 ┼ :	30	ꝑ cor.		
Neckcloths course						1000	
Ditto fine 16 to a peece ...	50 :	1 :	39 :	at 19 :	—	1000	
			38 :	— 17 :	ꝑ cor.		
Morrees super fine	18 ·	$2\frac{1}{2}$:	42 :	at 39 :	ꝑ cor.	2000	
Beetelaes	40 :	2 :	26 :	at 37 :	ꝑ cor.	1500	
		25 :	34 :	18			
Ditto	50 :	2 :	29 :	at 37 :		1500	
		28 :—	34 :	18 :	ꝑ cor.		
				Amo : Pago^es : ...		27000	

That the said goods shall be delivered in ffort St George in the accustomary manner, at such times, as that the same may be sorted, and Embaled, three quarter parts befor Y^e: 30th: Xber next, and the remaining quarter part, before the 30th day of Janu^y: next, under penalty of 25 ꝑ Cent for what they shall fall short therein, excepting only the Impediments, w^ch: shall unavoidably arise from Warr, and the stops made by y^e: Country Government. And the said Commissary Generall Presid^t: & Councill doe Contract that they will pay unto the said Merchants

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Pagos : 10000 : on the signing hereof 10000 Pagos : on the 20th : Septembr : and the remaining 7000 Pagos : at or before ye : 20th : November next.

That in case of any stops or imbargoes laid by ye : Country Governmt : they will use their endeavours to clear the same, but the risque and charge is understood to bee the Merchants.

And it is provided that before the above mentioned first paymt : of Pagos : 10000 be made, the said merchants shall make appear to the Commissary and Councill, that their propper Joynt Stock is clear of all debts, at least Pagos : 10000 Vizt : Pagos : 100 for each share, wch : joynt Stock and their whole trade for ye : Rt : Honble : Compa : is to be managed according to the Rules and orders agreed between the Presidt : and Councill of ffort St. George, & the Joynt stock Merchants, on ye : 12th : August 1688, unless any part thereof shall be by consent hereafter altered.

Signed & sealed in ye presence of Franois Bett Secry.

Persemurta	పసుమర్తి	சிவகடாக்ஷம் ஆலங்காத்த.
Bowapa	బావప్ప.	ALLINGALL.
Tapachittee	அய்யப்பன்	
Coopartecash	కోపరతికాశి.	ముత్తువీరన్న వ్రాలు.
Rangia	రంగయ్య వ్రాలు.	MUTTA VERONA.
Paupia	పాపయ.	సూరా వెంకట్రాముడు.
Peretombe chittee	பெரியதம்பி.	SOORA VINCATARAM.
Serewana	சரவணன்.	

Locus Sigilli

TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM NABOB CASSIM CAWN GRANTED TO DOCTOR SAMUEL BROWNE.

Doctr Brown's Perwanna.

All Deasmook Deaspondea chief Inhabitants, belonging to Trivatore &ca belonging to Madras which Chinapatam belong[ing] to Golcondah Cournatt Country, Bee [it known] to all People, the towns that are mentioned in this writing I have lett out to rent to the English Doctor Samuel Browne you all must understand that he is now your head Renter, all the Revenues that formerly belonged to the Duan, you all are to see and make it good to Doctor Brown's servants, according to list and act according to Sallabad, and you are to obey all such orders as he shall give you that are reasonable. Doctor Browns duty is this that he see and give content to all his Inhabitants under him, and duely see to increase the Revenues of the Towns under him every candoyum. You must all be sure to act according to this Perwanna, dated the 25th : day of the month Jamaudela Saune, in the 36th : year of the Kings Reign, signed with his own hand that they must act according to this writing.

LIST OF THE NAMES OF THE TOWNS.

Trivatore, Santungaud, Shaudium Cuppum, Ernavosur, Cuttuwacaw, Aleunda Cherre, Copie of this Perwanna is entred in the Duans Booke.

THURSDAY 10TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR : PRESIDT : & GOVERNR :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Pa 231 : paid by ye Rentall Genll :

Mr : John Focquett Rentall Generall, paid into ye : Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash Pagodaes 231 on acct : Quitt rents.

Pa : 10 to be pd : Capt Browne.

The Paymaster is orderd to pay 10 Pagos : to Capt : Wm : Browne for Mr : Braborn's passage and Provission from Bengall on ship Loyall Captain.

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Mr William Fraser read his warehouse accot for ye month of July last. Warehous acct : [for July]

The Warehousekeeper is orderd to deliver to ye Merchants one coved of the head muster of each sort of cloth now contracted for they haveing promised to send the same into the Country by their [factors] to direct the makeing of the Weavors Loom's fitt for weaving cloth Punjums, equall to the respective Musters. The Generallity of ye: weavors Looms haveing been altred for severall years to a less number of Punjums then formerly. 1 coved of each sort of cloth to be dd ye Merchts.

Ordered that Edward Salter & John Thea, be entertained in ye: Gunroom Crew. two men entertd in ye Gunroom Crew

The Paymaster is ordered to pay the costs of suits in the Court of Admiralty wherein the Rt: Honble: Compa: is awarded by the Court to pay the said Bills to be signed by the Register and to be entred under ye: head of charges Generall. Costs of suits in Court to be paid by ye Paymaster.

The Paymaster gives an acct: of the charges of Provisions Cooley hire and Batty for his Excellcy: the Commissary Generalls Journey, to and from ffort St: David, amots: to Pagos: 165 : 13, wch: is ordered to be charged to acct: of Fort St David. his Excell: charges to Fort St. David

Ordered that a Bond be given to Sr: John Goldsborough Commissary Generall for 2000 Pagos: this day recd: into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash at Interest, 9 ℔ cent ℔ annum. Orderd that Pagos: 22 : 18 be paid Thomas Constable for ye: ffreight of 30 ffort St: David Bales, recd: by his sloop Thomas & Sarah. Pa 2000 lent by his Excellency. Ps. 22: 18 pd for freight of Fort St. David Bales.

Ordered that 5 or 600 Madapollam Planke be bought of Mr: Alvar at the rate of four for a Pagoda, being of a 11 to 13 foot long & from ¾ Inch to 1¼ thick, to be reserved for Ceiling of ye: new house when it shall be built. Planke to be bought.

Ordered that Ralph Tayler Corporall, be steward of ye: Hospital at his present pay of 120 fanams ℔ mensem. Steward for the Hospitall.

Mr: Wheeler Sea Customer read his accots: of Sea Customes for the month of June last Vizt: Sea Customers acct read.

Custome of Goods	P. 2487 : 27 : 4
Graine	168 : 18 : 5
Anchorage	54 : — : —
Tonnage	88 : 32 : —
	Pagos: 2799 : 6 : 3

NATH : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Recd: a Genll Lre: by Peons from Vizagapm: dated 19th: July, referring to a letter of former date, not yett recd: Therewth: came a letter from Bengall dated ye: 15th: June.

The Presdt having on Munday last intelligence that the two Chief Taliars people were mett at an adjacent Town & begining to quarrell, ordered them to call all their People home, after which being informed that their quarrell was renewed, and that they had made private preparations for sending their men out this evening to fight, sent for the two Taliars, & with ye: advice of the Councill then present, Ordered them to be confined, one to the Compas: Godowne, and the other to ye: Merchants Godowne to prevent their quarrelling. 11TH. Chief Talliars confin'd.

Received a Generall letter from Fort St. David dated ye: 10th: Instant. 12TH.

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MUNDAY 14TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR: WILLIAM FRASER MR: JAMES WHEELER.

Mr. Kings accot of Jns: ye Butcher.

Mr: Edward King late Steward haveing rendred an accot: of Pagos: 209: by him impresented to John Arts Butcher in June last whereof he delivered in Provisions Pagos: 81, and then run away Pagos: 128 in Debt, whereof Mr: King has recovered, by sale of his goods Pagos: 58: 6fa: soe that there remains Pagos: 69: 30: yett due from the Butcher, wch: Mr: King do's alledge ought to be allowed by the Rt: Honble: Compa: because he deliverd out the money for their accot: to provide Victualls for the ship Pearle bound for Tonqueen Mr: Fraser is ordered to enquire into the truth of this matter, & make report to us.

Salt Petre and Brimston to be [dd:] to make powder.

The Warehousekeepr is orderd to deliver the Salt Petre remaining wch: is about Candyes [*lacuna in the original*] and a proportionable quantity of Brimstone to the Gunner, who is ordered to cause ye: same to be made into Powder by the new Engine.

NATH: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

Received a Generall lre: from Fort St David, dated ye: 10th: Instant adviseing that Governr: Pitt, with a Fleet of ships then in sight was goeing against Pollicherri.

WEDNESDAY 16TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR: WILLIAM FRASER MR: JAMES WHEELER.

report that Assid Cawne is alive.

Percolla China Warka haveing obtained Zulp[h]akar Cawn his Perwanna for the Government of Trivatore and Tripatore Countryes adjacent, called in his way to see his Family (whom he has kept here 2 or 3 years) and visiting the President, do's assure him that Assid Cawn is alive & well, & in ye: Kings favour, notwithstanding all ye: Currt: reports to ye: Contrary, and on ye: 11th: Instant Mahmood Aniffe Zulphaker Cawn his adopted son about 20 years of age, coming wth: 50 horse and 100 Peons to take his pleasure and see ye: Place. It being judged necessary to treat him civilly, in respect to Zulphaker Cawne, Wee appointed him ye: Garden for ye: accommodation of himselfe and servants, and sending word that he designes to take his leave to day, and to depart tomorrow, The Warehousekeeper is order'd out of the stores to gett ready a Present to be made him of such things as may best be spared Vizt., 1 Tonqueen chest with 6 cases of Dressing boxes & 6 Bandezas, 2 small Prospective glasses, 2 looking glasses, 1 Pair Pistolls, 1 peece of China Silke, 1 Wax Image in glass and 2 glass globes, 1 Chest Rose Water, 5 Swords, 2 Pictures covered with glass.

Zulphaker Cawns adopted Son is come to see this place.

he is presented.

Mr. Nicks sick in Prison.

Mr John Nicks haveing formerly Petitioned for Liberty to bee in his house for his healths sake, which there did not then appear reason to grant, but there being common reports, that he is under such an indisposition as may endanger his life, if continued under close confinement, Wee orderd the two Chyrurgeons of the Garrison to visit him, and make report of his condition. It is thereupon ordered that the Marshall have leave to keep Mr: Nicks a Prisoner in his, Mr: Nicks, own house, takeing good security to himselfe, that he shall not endeavour to escape,

permitted. to his House

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and that ye money due by Judgment to ye R^t: Honble: Comp^a shall be paid in case he do's escape. And the Attorney Generall is ordered to goe to Mr Nicks and discourse him thereupon. Generall letter to Fort St David of this date approved & sign'd; relateing to silver fanams, Cuddalore Watchman and their Portuguez Padree. Generall lre to Fort St. David.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
J^o: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
JAMES WHEELER.

May it Please your Hon^r: &c^a: Councill.

Wee the subscribers haveing according to your orders Visited Mr John Nicks, find him very much indisposed by a chilly numbness in his feet and hands, and an oppression in his Brest and Stomack, w^ch: is a hindrance both to his speech and breathing, these symtoms in all probability are occasioned by Malancholy, want of exercise, and his being oblidged to breath a stagnating aire, w^ch: except speedily remedi[e]d (since it approaches his stomack) may prove of Dangerous consiquence. Chyrurgion's report concerning Mr Nicks.

EDWARD BULKLEY.
SAMUEL BROWNE.

Fort S^t. George
August the 14th 1693.

A Danes Sloope arrived from Trincombar with 110 Piggs of ye Samuel's Lead. 16.

Received a Generall from Fort St David dated y^e: 12th: Instant, adviseing that ye Dutch had landed 1330 men & 3 Field peeces against Pollicherry.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 17TH.

Present

THE HON^BLE: NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T: & GOVERN^R:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

The Warehouse Keeper being informed by M^r: Afflack that the Danes sloop w^ch: arrived last night from Trincombar, had brought 110 Piggs Lead of the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: is ordered to unlade ye same, and render an acco^t: of the number & weight of all received from Trincombar as soon as he can, that the acco^t. thereof may be stated. Warehouse Keep^r orderd to unlade ye lead wch came from Trincombar.

The Chyrurgeon of ye Hospitall produceing a Bill of Drugs &c^a bought in the Buzar for six months ending in July last amo^ts: to Pag^s: 14: 24: 3: The Paymaster is ordered to pay ye same, as allsoe 4 Pago^s: for ye rent of a house at his first arrivall here in December last, when there was noe room for him in ye ffort. Chyrurgeons Bill to be p^d by the Paymaster.

The President read his acco^t: Cash for y^e: month of July ye Ballance being Pag^s: 12337: 28: 5. The Presid^t read his acco^t: Cash.

Mr William Fraser Warehouse Keep^r: paid into ye R^t Honble Comp^as Cash Pago^s: 800 for acco^t: Goods sold. The Warehouse Keep^r pays p^a 800 into Cash.

The Warehouse Keep^r: is ordered by the first opportunity to send to Fort St David 2 candy of Wax, five chests of rosewater and 20: or 30 Bucketts if to be spared. Severall things to be sent to Fort St David.

Narrian Chief Dubash haveing been sick 20 dayes and now in a way of recovery, desires leave to goe to Chellumbrum for 20 dayes for change of air, which is granted him. The Chief Dubash ℘mitted to goe to Chellembrum.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
J^O: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

[17TH] —— *FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1693* ——

Received a Generall lre from Vizagapatam dated ye 17th July adviseing that they arrived there ye 3d ditto, and that their Moor Merchants are up at Chiccacull & as yett have not contracted wth their new Merchants, for a new Investment, but shall very suddainly. That ye seir: Lascar is up at Chiccacull therefore have not yett made him any Present.

This morning Mahmood Ariff Zulphaker Cawns adopted son departed with his retinue to Wandlewas, having stayed here 5 dayes, in wch: time he hath spent about 6000 rupees.

18. Received a Generall lre from Vizagapatam dated ye 27th: July adviseing that they have contracted with their new Merchts: for an Investment of 20000 Pagos: to be compleated by ye 25th: Decembr: next, and desire money to be sent them; alsoe some Cotton; & that ye Moore Merchts: are arrived wth: 20 ox load of Cloth.

MONDAY 21ST.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQE PRESIDT: & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JAMES WHEELER.

Warehouse Keepr report of shipp Samuel's Lead.

The Warehouse Keeper reports the number & weight of Lead ℔ ship Samuel received Vizt:

				MDS.	LBS.	
From the ship Samuel Piggs	103½	pz: candys ...	66	0	5	
From Tringombar ℔ Sloop	120	, ...	75	8	7	
From ditto	110	„ ...	70	0	24	
						C. :Qr. : lbs.:
Piggs	333½	pz: can ...	211	9	11	944 : — 8 :

13½ Piggs Short.

which is 13½ Piggs short of the number acknowledged by Captaine Freke to have been laden on his ship, and by proportion should weigh 8½ Candy.

The attachmt: to be taken off except Pa: 102.

Ordered that the attachment laid on Pagos: 1130: of Capt: Frekes money in the hands of Capt: Burton be taken off for all except Pagos: 102 the vallue of ye said 8½ candy, the adjustmt: whereof with Capt: Freke is referr'd to ye Commissary Generall in Bengall.

Pagos: 800 paid the Paymaster.

Ordered that 800 Pagos: be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Provll: Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Sea Customer payes pa: 800 & ye Land Customer pa: 1200 and reads his accots: for 2 mos.

Mr James Wheeler Sea Customer paid into ye Rt Honble: Compas: Cash Pagos: 800 on acct: Sea Customes and Mr Matthew Mildmay Provisionall Land Customer Pagoe: 1200 : accot: land Customes and read accots: of Land Customes for ye months of May & June last which are as followes Vizt:—

MAY.

	PA.	FA.	CA.
Land Custome	4	17	55
Choultry Custome ...	142	7	5
Trivilicane Custome ...	1	9	5
Rubie Brokers	22	14	0
Beatle leafe renters ...	41	24	0
Tobacco renters ...	133	12	0
Cloth Brokers	66	4	0
Pagoe ...	411	15	75

JUNE.

	PA.	FA.	CA.
Land Custome	7	18	7
Choultry Custome ...	141	30	70
Rubie Brokers	34	3	60
Beatle leaf renters ...	41	24	0
Tobacco renters	133	12	0
Cloth Brokers	49	32	50
Fines	10	18	0
Pagos ...	418	31	27

Mr Frasers report concerning the Butchers debt. ps 69: 30 not allowed Mr King late Steward.

Mr William Fraser in ℘suance of an order of Consultation the 14th: Inst: reports that ye last Steward finding ye: Butcher a cheating fellow, would not trust him at all with money beforehand, and advised Mr King against trusting him, and it is resolved the Pagoe: 69 : 30 due from the Butcher bee not allowed to Mr King in his stewards accot:

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Judge Dolben payes into ye Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pagodaes 4809: Vizt: Pa: 1292: 18: in full of ye: Judgemt: for 1000 taken by the late Presidt: Yale out of ye Compas: Cash, with its Interest Pa: 2082: 18, for what he had expended upon ye Mud outworks with Interest, and Pa: 1434 in full of ye: Judgemt: of Pa: 4923 for the damages sustained by his means on ye Conimeer Investmt: whereof Pa: 3489 was received into cash.

Judge Dolben payes in pa: 4809 on accot: of Judgmt: against Presidt: Yale.

Ordered that Pagos: 650: 6: 4: be paid unto Judge Dolben for a Bill drawn on us by the Deputy Governr: &ca: of Fort St David dated 12th: Instant being so much paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash there by Mr William Hatsell.

pa 650: 6: 4 paid Judge Dolben on Bill of Exchange from Fort St David.

The Warehouse Keeper reporting that of 6000 rupees now in the Godowne there is one halfe of them not fitt for Vizagapatam haveing been holed by sheroffs, he is ordered to cause the same to be exchanged for Surratt rupees, or others proper for Vizagapatam and buy one Thousand Pagos: more in Surratt rupees, they being now cheap.

Warehouse Keepers report concerning ye rupees in ye Godowne pa 1000 to buy rups.

Ordered that Pagos: 7000 bee by the first oppertunity sent to Vizagapatam about 3000 in rupees, and the rest in Pagos:

pa 7000 to be sent to Vizagapa: in rupees: & pagos:

Ordered that Pagos: 3000 be sent to Ffort St David overland in the charge of Mr Thomas Constable and Ensign Reay who are ordered to depart this day.

pa 3000 to Fort St David.

Haveing on ye 17th Instant taken a veiw of the River wall, from Charles Point to Gloster Point, finding that there has been of late years many houses of office and back doors made thrô that wall into the River, so low that men may night and day pass in and out at pleasure, and can pass over some part of ye Wall wch: hath been broken down by the Inhabitants, for convenience of prospect and aire, and some part of it defective & ready to fall. Wee judge necessary for ye Security of ye Garrison, and it is ordered that all the said passages to ye river be Stopt up and that ye Walls wch: have been broken down be raised to an equall height with the rest, and those parts wch: are defective be new built. Whereof the owners of the houses whereunto ye Wall belongs are required to take notice, and forthwith to cause their respective parts to be repaired accordingly and Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster is appointed to see ye same performed & assist them therein, and if any of the Inhabitants doe refuse to comply with so necessary an order, that he make report thereof to us. And there being two houses lying between the hospitall and the Carpenters yard, whereof ye river wall extending about 120 foot is either broken down too low or so defective that 'tis in danger of falling, wherein is allso two or three open passages into ye river, wch: houses have been for many years possessed by the late Presidt: Yale, but are now unhabited and are the most defective part of ye river wall. Mr Wright is ordered to acquaint him perticularly wth this Order and report his answer.

A view taken of the river-wall.

All ye Pasages to be stopt up & the Wall to be repaired by ye respective owners.

The foundation of Queens Point being in danger of being undermined by the Streams of the river wch: has brought away the Earth, within three foot of the wall, It is ordered that the same be secured by Piles of Redwood.

Queens Point to be Piled.

Ordered that the Sally port by Gloster Point be repaired wth: a strong door, Barrs & lock, they being all very defective.

Sally port to be repaired.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Received a Generall from Fort St David dated ye 18th Instant adviseing that ye Dutch had landed severall great gunns & three Morter peeces, & was raising Batterryes against Pullicherry Fort, but had not as yett fired any shott, & That Governr: Pitt had sent to Mounseiur Martin, to surrender their Fort, wch might prevent ye: shedding of much blood, but he returned this answer that he was there 21.

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to defend it, for his Kings Glory, and their own honoʳ: wᶜʰ: he was resolved to doe, to yᵉ last drop of his blood.

Dispatcht a Generall letter to Fort Sᵗ David of this date, wᵗʰ: Pagᵒˢ: 3000 sent overland by Peons, and accompanied by Mʳ Thomas Constable & Ensign Reay.

22. Sent a Generall lr̃e: to Fort Sᵗ David, & another to the Danes Governʳ: of Tringombar.

WEDNESDAY 23.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONᴮᴸᴱ NATHᴸᴸ HIGGINSON ESQᴿ PRESIDᵀ & GOVERNᴿ
JOHN DOLBEN ESQᴿ JUDGE ADVOCATE
Mᴿ WILLIAM FRASER Mᴿ JAMES WHEELER.

a sloop to carry yᵉ Treasure to Vizagapᵐ: & two Englishmen to goe with it.

There being a small sloop in this road bound for Vizagapatam called Nossᵃ: Senhoᵃ: de Conceication, Antᵒ: Fernando Owner & Pilott, and there being noe other oppertunity for sending money to Vizagapatam, for carrying on their Investmᵗ: It is ordered that Pagoˢ: 7000 in rupees and Pagoˢ: be sent by ditto sloop, and for better security that yᵉ same be sent in charge of Edward Thompson Factor, and Robert Atkinson one of yᵉ Gunners mates the latter to take charge of yᵉ Vessell as Pilott, In consideration of Freight, of money and Passengers the Owner is content wᵗʰ: Pagoˢ: 20.

pᵃ 20 to be paid for Freight.

China Allum sold to Ragga Chitte.

Ragga Chittee offering Pᵃ: 9⅛ ℔ candy for yᵉ whole quantity of China Allum, The Warehousekeepʳ: is ordered to weigh it off to him at that rate, he paying for it as he receives it Vizᵗ: one halfe at weighing, and the remainder within two months after.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

THURSDAY 24TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONᴮᴸᴱ NATHᴸᴸ: HIGGINSON ESQᴿ PRESIDᵀ & GOVERNᴿ
JOHN DOLBEN ESQᴿ JUDGE ADVOCATE
Mᴿ WILLIAM FRASER Mᴿ JAMES WHEELER.

Paymaster reads his accoᵗˢ: for yᵉ mos: of March, Aprill, May & June.

Mʳ Thomas Wright Provˡˡ: Paymaster read his accoᵗˢ for the months of March, Aprill, May, and June last Vizᵗ:

MARCH.

	Pa:	fa:	ca:
Charges Garrison	869	20	0
Charges Generall	394	22	0
Charges Cattle	9	28	0
Charges Merchandize	53	19	0
Fortifications & Repaires	39	14	0
Charges Dyett	334	3	0
Egmore &cᵃ	21	10	0
Factors Provisions	57	0	0
Charges Extraordinary	1	24	0
Pᵃ ...	1780	32	0

APRILL.

Charges Garrison	856	7	0
Charges Generall	517	26	0
Charges Merchandize	32	30	0
Charges Cattle	8	27	0
Charges Dyett	337	13	0
Factors Provisions	115	22	0

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	Pa.	fa.	ca.
Egmore &c	30	9	0
Charges Extraordinary	23	35	0
Fortifications & Repaires	62	7	0
Pa ...	1984	32	0

MAY.

Charges Garrison	869	22	0
Charges Generall	444	21	0
Charges Merchandize	29	32	0
Charges Cattle	8	34	0
Fortifications & repaires	276	26	0
Factors Provisions	226	20	0
Charges Dyett	312	8	0
Egamore &ca	32	29	0
Pa ...	2201	12	0

JUNE.

Charges Garrison	850	9	0
Charges Generall	384	3	0
Accot : Plate	67	24	0
House Moveables	38	15	0
Fortifications & repaires	103	0	0
Charges Dyett	292	31	0
Accot : Shiping	165	0	0
Egamore &ca	4	18	0
Charges Merchandize	40	34	0
Charges Cattle	8	16	0
Fort St David	166	20	0
Factors Provisions	25	30	0
Pa ...	2147	20	0

In answer to a Request of ye: Worspll: Mayor of this Corporation (Coppy whereof is entred next after this Consultation) relateing to an assessment, for collecting Pagos: 417 : 10: 24 disburs'd out of the Corporation Cash for paveing the streets of ye North part of this Citty. It is agreed and ordered that the Mayor & Aldermen may assess and Levy upon the Houses whereunto said Pavement does belong the respective sums mentioned in the accot : presented to us, according to the Tenor of their Charter. And in case ye: accot : of ye Assessment be not right Calculated, it is recommended to the Worspll: Mayor and Aldermen to rectify any error wch : shall be represented and proved to them, and wee doe approve and consent that the residue of the streets of the Citty within the Walls be paved in like manner, as soon as conveniently they can in order to which the Worspll : Mayor and Aldermen are desired to cause a Calculation to be made of what the charge will amount to, that the same may be accordingly assessed on the respective Inhabitants in due time. *The Worspll: Mayor sends an accot : & request concerning paveing ye streets.*

Ordered that 100 candy redwood be bought of John Stephenson, at the rate of Pagos : 2¼ ₽ candy, any pieces that are defective to be refused, and he engageing to lett us have ye whole ₽ cell, which he sayes is 2 or 300 candy more yett in the woods, at the same rate, when it arrives, and not to sell any to any others, unless wee shall consent. *100 Candy of redwood to be bought.*

Mr Stephenson haveing allsoe above 200 Madapollam Timbers from 13 to 20 foot long, which he is willing to sell It is ordered the same be bought as a store for ye new intended Building, at the rate of Pagos : ⅝ ₽ peece one with another they haveing been veiwed and valued by those who understand Timbers, and Judged a good penny worth at that price, and it is very doubtfull whether we shall be able timely to procure any Timbers of that sort, wch : is accounted ye : best sort for building in India. *allsoe 200 Madapm : Timbers.*

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pa : 1000 borrowe d of Judge Dolben at 9 ℘ Cent Interest.

Judge Dolben payes into the Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash Pagos : 1000 : borrowed of him at Interest at ye rate of 9 ℘ Cent ℘ annum, for the terme of three months, & the Secretary is orderd to make a Bill for the same.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Accot : Pavement.

Sundry accots : Dr : to Corporation Cash for ye Paveing ye Streets Vizt.

	Length feet.	Breadth feet.	Pagos	fa.	ca.
The Rt : Honble : Compa : for Smiths yard ...	107	11½*	13	0	0
Elihu Yale Esqr Vizt. —					
The House Mr Troughton Liv'd in ...	127	10	15	2	6
The Fore part of His Honrs : house ...	100	24	24	2	0
The Back part of ditto ...	84	6	5	2	25
Capt : Betts House	154	18	28	1	30
Black Toms House	70	11½	8	3	5
Mr Hillers house	74	12	9	3	12
Mrs Monks house	152	12 & 9½	15	0	50
Mrs Monks Small house	35½	13	4	32	30
Mrs Heathfields house	255¾	12½	31	15	60
Mr Coventrys house	51	12½	6	27	10
Mr Bridger, ye Shoe makers house ...	60¾	12½	7	35	30
Mr Cockroffts house	68	12¾	9	7	46
Padree Conte Adoze	40	12⅝	4	32	67
Mr Nicks house	44¾	11¼	5	18	75
Portugueze Church	487¾	10 & 21¼	69	22	30
Mr Afflack Vizt.—					
Mr Capells House	80¼	19½	15	12	50
Capt : Sinclars House...	50¾	19½	10	0	63
His dwelling house ye ffront	86½	16½	14	26	[illegible]5
The back side of ditto	64¾	9	7	13	21
His Small house or Goedowne	38½	6¾	3	2	40
Mr Large for Mr Wheelers house ...	60½	16	9	29	54
Parcheca Portuguze	164	11	20	5	0
Martin Lopes House	22¾	18¾	3	24	50
Orphos Portuguze	31	19	5	5	54
Cardozo	43	19	7	4	35
Martha Consecão the fore pt : of her house.	45	19	7	18	0
The Back side of ditto	49½	6½	3	15	63
Fylman Holts House	45	7	3	21	0
His other house	61	5¾	3	24	50
Gramash or Mr Proby's house	28	7¼	2	7	40
Arche Venas' House	41¾	8	4	1	70
Checary Chaga's house	46½	9½	4	32	66
Madam Alfords House	85½	9¼	9	29	52
Mr Chardins House	36	6½	3	2	42
Mrs Ivory's House	71	9	7	35	28
Matts Earris	39	8	3	21	0
Mr Shepherds House	50	5¼	3	2	45
Mr Glover for Wm : Dixon's house ...	90¾	6½	6	5	10
		Pagos ...	417	10	24

TO THE HONBLE NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR
PRESIDT : &CA : WORSPLL : COUNCILL.

May it please your Honr &ca :

Mayor's request.

In the year 1690 the then Mayor and Court of Aldermen taken into consideration ye great conveniency ye Inhabitants of this City might enjoy, by paveing the

* 10 in I.O. Copy.

streets, Passed an Order for soe doeing and have disbursed on said accot : ye above mentioned sume. Our humble request to your Honr : &ca : is that you would be pleased to grant an order to impower us to assess the Inhabitants, that wee may be reimbursed of our money, wch : wee have now urgent occasion off, for to defray our necessary & unavoidable Expences, and if your Honr : &ca : please to give us encouragement wee will finish that most necessary worke of paveing ye streets or obey your orders to the Contrary

Your Honrs &ca most humble Servts
John Styleman Mayor.

25. Dispatch'd three Generall letters by the sloop Nossa Senhoa : de Conceison, belonging to Anto : Farnando, which sailed this evening for Vizagapatam Vizt ; One to his Excellency the Commissary Generall in Bengall, one to ye Agent and Councill in ditto & the other to ye Chief & Councill of Vizagapatam.

Att a Consultation

Monday 28th.

Present

The Honble Nathll : Higginson Esqr Presidt : & Governr :
John Dolben Esqr : Judge Advocate
Mr William Fraser.

Padre Clerici delivers a Petition.

Padre Don Joan de Clerici delivering a Petition as enter'd next after this Consultation, and allso produceing to us his Letters Missionary from D'Salvador Gallus Prefect of the Regular Priests at Goa dated [*lacuna in the original*] by which it does appear, that he is not dependent on ye Padre Governadr : of the Mount and the Deputy Governr : &ca : of Fort St. David haveing in their Generall letter dated 18th Instant expressed themselves satisfyed in the Character they have received of ye ℘son. It is agreed that a Licence be granted unto ye said Padre Clerici, to Officiate at Cuddalore in the room of Padre Paulo who was before appointed from hence, but is lately removed from thence to Porto Novo by the order of ye Padre Governadore of the Mount. But that before ye said Licence be given, the former granted to Padre Paulo be called in & deliver'd up to us.

Licence granted.

And Padre Joan de Clerici being acquainted therewith promised to write to Padre Paulo for ye: former Licence.

Pa: 455 : 8 : 3 paid into Cash by Mr Pitt being ye Estate of a Moorman deceased.

Mr John Pitt paid into the Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash Pagos : 455 : 8 : 3 the produce of the Estate of Muhmood Selay a Moorman, who dyed here in May or June 1692 as ℘ accot : sale and accot : currant signed by himself & Mr Simon Holcombe then Justaces of the Choultry, now delivered with a Paper signed by severall moormen and Armenians attesting to the truth of said accot : and Mr Pitt do's alsoe deliver a Coppy of a Receipt given by him and Mr Holcombe to ye Noquedah of the ship, by which the goods came from Bengall, all wch : papers are ordered to be kept safe by ye Secry : till a demand is made of the Deceased Estate Ordered that Pagos : 455 : 8 : 3 be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Provll : Paymaster, for charges Garrison.

Pa: 455 : 8 : 3 paid ye: Paymaster.

Ordered that John Thea be discharged ye Gunroom Crew and Charles Goame entred.

Presidts report concerning Fort St David fanams.

The President reports the second assay of Fanms : of Fort St David coyned by the new Minters to be 4 matt as ye first was and is 2½ ℘cent worse then ye matt should bee.

Mr Mead & Pitt pays pa : 223 : 18 on acct : of wt : saved out of ye Adventures wreckr.

Mr Mead Attorney Generall paid into the Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash Pagos : 149 : and Mr John Pitt Pagos : 74 : 18 being in full of a judgement given by the Court of Admiralty against Nalla Vencatadree for Lead and Gunns saved by him out of the Loyall Adventures Wreck amots : to Pagos : 298 whereof Pagos : 74 : 18 is by

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Judgment allowed for charges &c^{a} & the remaining Pago^{s} : 223 : 18 now received is to bee thus Entred.

	Pagos.	Fa.
To the owners of ship Loyall Adventure for ½ of Guñs and Iron	79	15
To acco^{t} : Curr^{t} : London for ye halfe of 16 pigs lead saved of Comp^{as} ;	69	21
To Rents and Revenues for Salvage of Ditto ¼ part...	74	18
Pag^{os} ...	223	18

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

TO THE HON^{BLE} : NATH^{LL} : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R}
Padre Clerici's Petition. PRESID^{T} AND GOVERN^{R} OF FORT
S^{T} : GEORGE FORT S^{T} DAVID &C^{A} COUNCILL.

The Humble Petition of Padre Don Joan de Clerici.

Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioner is a Preist of the order of y^{e} : Theatine Missionaries, by which being obliged to travell into remote Countryes to endeavour the conversion of Infidells to the Christian faith, your Petitioner humbly requests your Hon^{r} : &c^{a} that he may by you be appointed the Padri resident of Cuddalore for the service of the Portugues Inhabitants of that Place, w^{ch} : Imployment he will to the utmost of his power endeavour to performe with all Loyalty & fidelity to the Honble : Company and their Interest, and to the satisfaction of your Hon^{r} : &c^{a} : for whome as in Duty bound he shall ever pray.

D. JOAN DE CLERICI.

28 Received a Generall from ffort St David dated y^{e} : 25th Instant adviseing that the Dutch lay close seige against Pullicherry, are raiseing Batterryes, and have had a Skirmish with them, wherin one of ye French Capt^{ts} : was kild.

29 Ship New Morning Starr Capt : Armiger Gostlin Commander sailed for Pegue.

Ship S^{t} : Caeitano Captain William Brooks Commander sailed for ye West Coast Batavia &c^{a} : who tooke a Printed Pass by whom sent a Generall lre : to ye Worsp^{ll} : Charles Fleetwood Esqr : Governour of Yorke Fort &c^{a} : Councill at Bencoolen dated y^{e} : 24th : Instant.

Dispatch't a Generall lre to Fort St David of yesterdays date.

Received a Generall lre from Fort St David dated ye 26th : Ins^{t}.

WEDNESDAY 30TH. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} : NATH^{LL} : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} : PRESID^{T} : AND GOVERN^{R} :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Wheeler dead. Word being brought us while at Consultation on y^{e} : 28th : Inst : that M Wheeler was very sick, and soon after about 11 a clock that he was dead, wee went forthwith to his house and appointed Mr Mildmay & Mr Vanden Anker to take acco^{t} : of y^{e} : R^{t} : Honble : Companyes Books and papers, w^{ch} : were in Mr Wheelers hands, but in ye way thither ye following note was deliverd into ye hand of ye President Vizt.

Honble : S^{r} :

Doctr : Browns note. I have Murthered Mr Wheeler, by giveing him Arsnick, Please to execute Justice on me the malifactor as I deserve.

Your Hon^{rs} : unfortunate obed^{t} : serv^{t} :

SAM^{LL} : BROWNE.

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Whereupon Doctor Browne after examination and his perticular relation of the circumstances of a fatall mistake was by warrant of ye Judge Advocate committed as allso his servant who negligently powdered Pearl in a stone Morter wherein arsnick had been before beaten, the mixture whereof with the Pearle is supposed to be the occasion of his Death, & there being symptoms of Poyson, Doctor Buckley [*Sic*] ye: Chyrurgeon of the Hospitall was ordered to open the Corps & make his report.

Mr William Fraser being the only person surviveing present of the seaven ℘sons mentioned in ye Commission constituteing the present Judge Advocate, out of wch: his assistants are by us to be chosen, Hee is appointed Assistant to ye: said Judge Advocate in the Court of Admiralty in the room of Mr: James Wheeler deceased. Mr Fraser appointed in ye Court of Admiralty in ye place of Mr Wheeler.

The Sheroffs haveing refused to change 3,000 rupees for ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: occasions to send to Vizagapatam, after it had been agreed with the Chief of them at a certain rate, wch: was more then a valuable consideration for the Exchange, They were committed by us to ye: Choultry for the great injury they designedly did us in delaying severall dayes, and at last failing in the ℘formance, by wch: they give us to understand that they will not doe the Rt: Honble: Company any service when it shall be required of them. It is ordered that the Shroffs who deal in ye: Exchange of Silver & Gold, doe pay each 1 Pagoda as a fine to ye: Rt: Honble: Compa: and Mr Mildmay is ordered to receive the same by the list of Shroffs kept in ye Choultry, confineing every one to the Choultry who refuses to pay, till they comply. The Shroffs imprison'd They are fined 1 pa each.

The Attorney Generall is ordered to prosecute Samuell Browne, and his servants concerned for the Death of Mr James Wheeler, so soon as it can be done. The Attorney-Genll to prosecute Dr Browne & his servts.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Yesterday at 8 a clock in the forenoon Mr James Wheeler was buryed, with the Solemnity accustomed for one of his station.

May it Please your Honr. with the Worspll: Councill.

According to your orders I did on Munday ye 28th: instant in ye afternoon open ye dead Body of Mr James Wheeler about five hours after his death, and upon veiwing ye: Viscera or Bowells, found them not much altered from their naturall temper and Colour the parts that seemed to suffer most were ye stomack and gutts wch: were a little inflamed and allmost wholy bared and strip't of the mucous or slimy covering wth: which those parts are commonly invested, ye Lungs allsoe were a little inflamed ye: blood that I gathered out of severall vessells all appeared blacker then usuall, But ye suddainness of his death, and the severe symptoms he laboured under before he dyed, were greater arguments of Poyson received then anything I could trace out by Dissection, this from. Dr Bulkleys report concerning Mr Wheeler.

Srs

Yor Honrs &cas most humble & obedient servt

EDWD BULKLEY.

Fort St George ye 30th August 1693.

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THURSDAY 31ST.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Wright appointed Choultry Justice.

Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster is appointed Choultry Justice, to supply the vacancy occasioned by Mr Wheeler's death, and to take place next to Mr John Pitt, who succeeds Mr Wheeler as Chief Justice of the Choultry, and three Justices being sent for, were charged to give a due attendance upon that buisiness on the two dayes weekly appointed for their sitting.

50 Peons discharged 1 man entred & 2 released of ye Guñrs Crew.

The Paymaster is ordered to discharge 50 Peons. John Thea is entred in the Gunroom Crew, & Nicholas Dorrell and William Johnson discharged.

Mr Empson Provll: Sea Customer.

Mr Mathew Empson is appointed Provisionall Sea Customer till further order, and to act as Searcher Mr Meverill & Mr Lis[ter] continuing as they were, Receiver, and under Searcher [who] being sent for, were ordered to discharge their Duty [. . .] and give due attendance.

Town Conicoply & Talliars money.

The Conicoply of ye: Seaside Govenda Pilla, [in whose hands] the Revenue of ye Town Conicoply has lain from July 1692. and the Revenues of the Talliar from May 1691 by ye: order of Presidt: Yale, delivers an accot: thereof as follows next after this Consultation and for accot: of ye: Town Conicoply's Revenue Pagos: 453 : 11 : 2. The Taliars Pagos: 800, wch: for ye: present is ordered to be kept in ye: Cash Chest, it being not thought safe to trust it in ye hands of the Conicoply.

Pa 375 pd into Cash by Ragga Chittee.

Ragga Chittee paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pagos: 375: in part of Candys: 82: Md: 1 lb: 6: China Allum sold him at pa: 9⅛ ℔ candy. The remainder payable in two months.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

	Pagos	Fa.	Ca.
The Town Conicoplyes Sea Custome acct: since ye time of its being stop't by Presidt: Yale commencing 1st July 1692 to ye last July 1693 amots: to Pagos: ...	483	11	2
Whereof paid To Timapa	30	0	0
Remaines in Cash. Pagos. ...	453	11	2
The Talliars Sea Custome acct: since ye: time of its being stopt by Presidt: Yale, commencing ye: 1st May 1691, to the last July 1693 amots: to Pagos. ...	1956	29	2
Whereof hath been pd: to Amigapa Nague Ps: ...	554	1	0
To Timapa Nague 500: ... ... P:	1054	1	0
Remaines in Cash	902	28	2
Whereof paid into Cash this day	800	0	0
Remaines in Govenda Pillas hands Pags	102	28	2

31. Ship Four Brothers, Henry Harnett Master saild for Fort St: David.

SEPTEMBER ℔Mo:

Dispatch't a Generall lre: to ffort St David, wth: Invoice and Bill of Ladeing for wt: laden on y : Four Brothers, & Consigned to ye: Deputy Governr: &ca: Councill there.

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Received a Generall from Fort St David dated ye 29th past month adviseing that ye Dutch and French was come to a Capitulation at Pullicherry, and that ye Dutch would provide them shipping [to carry] them for Batavia, & from thence to Europe. [℣ro :]

Received a Generall from Fort St David dated ye : 31st past mo : and ye : President recd : a letter from Governr Pitt at Pullicherry adviseing that he had taken ye : Fort from ye : French. 3.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 4TH.

Present

THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT : & GOVERNR :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pagos : 500 be paid Mr Dolben for ozs : 704 : 13 : 18 bought of him for silver Coynage. [pa 500 pd : Mr Dolben for silver.]

Mr Dolben payes into ye : Rt Honble : Compas : Cash Pagos : 1500 : in part of candys : 196 : 11 : 4. (mds. lbs.) English Allum sold him at pa 11¼ ℔ candy: the remainder payable in a month. [Pa 1500 pd by Mr Dolben on accot: Allum.]

Francisco Madrass is entred in ye Gunroom Crew at fa: 60 ℔ mensem, and Isaac Littlewort at 100 fanams. [Frans : Madrass entered in ye gunroom.]

The Paymaster is ordered to pay Doctor Bulkley for his English servants wages 1 pagoda ℔ mensm : from ye time of his arrivall his pay to be increased hereafter, as he shall be found to deserve. [Wages allowed ye Doctors boy:]

Orderd that Pags 1000 be paid unto Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster for charges Garrison. [pa 1000 pd : ye Paymaster.]

The Assay master reports the produce of Mr. Thomas Yale's gold delivered him to coyne 7th August to be pagas 339 : 17 fa : whereof Judge Dolben, (being accountable to Mr Yale for ye : remainder) pays into the Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash Pagos : 252 : 24 : in full of ye : Judgement of Court Pagos: 562 mentioned in Consultation 7th : August, There being as he now reports Pagos : 562 abated since by Judgment of Court for the Custome of goods imported, wch : Mr Yale made appear to be entred in the Custome Booke and paid by Mr Rodrigues, but for want of such evidence, had been before decreed by the Court to be paid by Mr Yale. [ps 252: 24 pd. into cash Judge Dolben on Mr Tho : Yale.]

The Heer Pitt haveing given notice by his letter of 10th Septembr new stile to ye Presidt : of his takeing possession of Pullicherry on the day before, It is resolved that a Congratulateing letter be wrote him by ye Presidt : and sent to Mr Hatsell at Fort St David who is ordered to carry the same. The sending of one of ye Councill from hence being much more chargeable. [Govr. Pitt sends ye Presidt : a letter.]

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Dispatcht a Generall lre : to his Excellency the Commissary Genll : in Bengalll dated : ye 2d Inst : & another to Mr Simon Holcombe Chief &ca Councill at Vizagapatam, by a Country Boat bound thither wch : sailed this afternoon. 4TH

Received a Generall from Fort St David dated 2d Instant. 5TH

Dispatcht a Generall to Fort St David with another to Gover Pitt, wch : is to be deliverd him by Mr Hatsell, congratulateing his Victory over the French at Pullicherry.

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THURSDAY 7TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE}: NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON: ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}: & GOVERN^{R}:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Presid^{t}: read his acco^{t}: Cash for last mo.

The President read his acco^{t}: of y^{e}: R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: Cash for the month of August, the Ballance being Pago^{s}: 5753 : 13 : 1.

Sea Customer's acco^{t}: read.

Mr Matthew Empson Provisionall Sea Customer read the accot : of Sea Customes translated by Mr Wheeler for the month of July last, the Perticulars Vizt.

Amo^{t}: of Custome of Goods imported & Exp^{d}:	P. 923 : 21 : 5
Ditto of Grain imported	82 : 32 : 2
Anchorage	46 : — : —
Tonnage	86 : 4 : —
Pagos ...	1138 : 2 : —

pays into Cash pagos: 700.

Hee likewise paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: Cash Pago^{s}: 700 for acco^{t}: Sea Custome.

[Letting] arraok to be [published].

The Secretary is ordered to put y^{e}: following Bill on y^{e}: Se [a] gate and Choultry, in English Mallabar & Portuguez, lang[uages]. It being intended shortly to lett to ff[a]rme the Licence arrack, for the year ensueing from ye first Novemb^{r}: [. . .] they who are minded to be concernd therein may bring [. . .] proposalls in writeing to the Secretary on ffryday 15th Instant.

Storekeepr, reads his accot.

Mr John Pitt read his storekeepers acco^{t} ^{s}: for ye months of March, Aprill, May & June last.

a Portuguez Soldier entertained.

Jeromino a Portugues entred a soldier in this Garrison on 45 fanams ꝑ mensem.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

MUNDAY 11TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE}: NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}: & GOVERN^{R}:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Timbers and redwood bought of Mr John Stevenson.

Mr John Stevenson haveing delivered to y^{e}: Paymaster 251 Teake Timbers, and to y^{e} Warehousekeep^{r}: Candyes 84 : mds $5\frac{1}{2}$: Redwood, as by their report, the Timbers atPa : $3\frac{5}{8}$ ꝑ peece amounting to Pag^{os}: 909 : 31 and the Redwood at P^{a}: $2\frac{1}{4}$: ꝑ candy to P^{a}: 189 : 2^{fa} in the whole P^{a}: 1099 : 15 : It is ordered that Pago^{s}: 549 : 15 fa : be paid him in part, and the remainder being P^{as}: 550 : is to be paid him in two months.

A Braminy entertained to teach Ye youngmen Gentue.

Ordered that a Braminy be entertained to teach y^{e}: young men in y^{e}: R^{t}: Honble: Company^{es} service, the Gentue Language at ye rate of 18 fan^{ms} ꝑ mensem for every one he teaches.

Fort St Davids Mint Braminy and Sheroffs business determined abt their false coining fanms.

In ꝑsuance of ye order of Consultation the 27th : July for our determining the fine to be laid on Ramaligna & Moo[ta] the Chief Braminy and Shroff of ffort St David, for their cheat in the false coining of fanams, haveing examined & considered all the papers wee have relateing thereunto wee find.

1. That the whole amount of y^{e} fanams coined by him was 121,697 Chuckrums, 9 fan^{ms}.

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That the same haveing been examined and Assayed by ye Shroff the Commissary found them divided into four stamps, whereof the 1st stamp Assayed 4 matt $\frac{1}{4}$: The 2d stamp $4\frac{1}{4}$: The 3rd stamp $3\frac{13}{16}$: The 4th stamp ashes. 2.

That by the Generall letter recd from Fort St David dated 2d Inst there was coined of ye 1st Stamp 3.

	chuckr :	63160 — Matt	$4\frac{1}{4}$
2	... ...	57317	$4\frac{1}{4}$
3 } 1220	... ... {	1090	$3\frac{13}{16}$
4 }		130	ashes
		121697	

That the amot: of the cheatage in 1090 chuckr : whereof so[me] held out 4 matt, but rated at ye 3d stamp at $3\frac{13}{16}$: is chuckr : [1138] and chuckr : 130 : makes [2438] is fanms 2438 at 13 fanams [per paga is pagodas 136] But it being very probable by the generall Proffs[sic] of the Minters that there were more false coined fanams then do's appear by perticular proofs of the assays and the coining of false money being highly criminall, & punishable by the Minters Cowle, and detrimentall to ye : Rt : Honble : Compa : in the Creditt of their Mint, Wee are of opinion that they deserve to be fined, as far as they are capable of paying, and therefore doe award that Ramaligna, the Bramany doe pay unto the Rt : Honble: Compa : Pas : 300, and the Shroff 200 upon payment whereof unto the Deputy Governr : & Councill of ffort St David, they are both released from farther punishment or Confinemt : 4

Ordered that a Coppy of this award be sent to the Deputy Governr : & Councill of Fort St David, who are ordered to execute ye : same.

Ordered that 40 Mercall Wheat be sent to ffort St : David, for their Expence, by the first Sea Conveyance. Wheat to be sent to Fort St david

Ordered that Robert Southerland be entertained in ye Gunroom Crew ; & Thomas Dear a soldier at Portuguze pay. [. . .] Entertained.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 13.

Present

THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR : PRESIDT : & GOVERNR :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR ; JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Generall to : ye : Rt : Honble : Company of this date signed and sent to Fort St. David to be forwarded to Tringombar, with a Generall letter to the Danes Governr : desireing him to send it by their shipp, wch : is suddainly to depart for Europe. Genll : lre : to ye Rt Honble Compa : and another to the Danes Governr.

Generall to Fort St David of this date concerning their Watch men, and the Choultry Justices. Genll : to Fort St David.

A Packett from Surratt by an Armenian Conveyance came last night directed to his Excellency ye Commissary and appears to be [President Harris hand, which is agreed to be op]ened and ℘used [by the President for these reasons 1st The rmenian letters advise of overland advices received at Surat by Armenian 2nd. There] is a ship in a short time designed from hence to Surrat, by [which] oppertunity, we may send an answer to President Harris if occasion requires. A packett from Surratt directed to ye Commssry :

But the President ℘useing the letter reports there is nothing [there] in which falls under our Cognisance, nor any Europe advi[ces] and therefore the Pacquett is ordered to be made up, and sent forward to his Excellency in Bengall. Presidts : report of said letter.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

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THURSDAY 14TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The secry ordered to assist ye second in ye Generall Books. & Mr Wigmore secrys assistant.

Mr Bett the Secretary being the fittest Person, to assist the second in finishing the Generall Books, ending in Aprill last, Hee is ordered to undertake and finish them as soon as he can, and for an Encouragement of his Labour, that Ten pounds be given him as a gratuity when they are finished. And that Mr Wigmore be Secretary's assistant, dureing the time that Mr Bett shall be employed in the Books.

The monthly accots: & Entrys dd ye 2d.

The monthly accots: for that time are delivered to the Second with the Entrys thereof made by Mr James Wheeler to ye: last [day] of January, wch: not haveing been read in Consultation by Mr Wheeler are ordered to be examined & then read in Councill as usuall.

3 Assistants more ordered ye second.

Allsoe Mr Trevor Games, Mr Richard Bridges & Edward Bawgus, are ordered as further assistants to ye: Second.

A Portugueze soldier entertained. Slave dealers to be punished. Warehouse keepr read his accot: for [August] & pays cash pa 804.

Augustine de Fosairo, is entered a soldier of the Garrison. There being 5 or 6 Slave Stealers, wch: were fin'd by ye Justices of the Choultry each 20 pagos: and not being capable of paying, but have been many months in ye: Trunke, ready to starve for want of Victuals, The Choultry Justices are ordered to release them. Mr William Fraser Warehouse Keepr: read his accot: of the Warehouse for ye month of August last, and paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pagos: 804 for accot: of goods and stores sold.

Pa 326: 13: 3 to be pd Mrs Wheeler.

Ordered that Pagos: 326: 13: 3 be paid Mrs Francis Wheeler Relict of James Wheeler deceased, on a Bill drawn by the Deputy Governr: &ca: at Fort St David, 29th: August last for soe much paid into ye: Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash there.

Assaymasters report of Fort St David fanams.

The Assay Master report, the Assay of the Matt of Fort St David fanams last received to be 4 matt 1/8.

Osson repriev'd.

The Judge representing to us the case of Osson convicted of a Rape, and sentenced to Death by the Court, Wee thinke it fitt to repreave ye sentence, and pardon him, recommending it to the Judge of the Court to inflict some other punishmt: for ye misdem[e]anor, upon which he is expelled the Towne.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

15TH

Recd a Generall lre: from Fort St David dated the 12th: and one of the same date from Mr Hatsell, acquainting that he had been to wait uppon Governour Pitt with the translate of a lre from Governour Pitt adviseing that Mr Hamon Gibbons Cheif of Indapora and two other Englishmen who tooke their Passage uppon a Dutch ship from Batavia, were arrived at Pollicherry.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 18TH.

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE (*Sick*)
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pags: 500 be paid Mr William Fraser Warehouskeeper to buy Surratt rupees.

Pags: 500 ordered to be pd Mr. ffraser.

Bla[ckwell.]

John Bla[ckw]ell is entertained in the Gunroom [. . .] Mr. Hamon Gibbons Cheif of Indapoora, [arrive] ing now from Fort St David, gives this accot: that being overpowred there by the Buggosses [and] Mallays employed by the Dutch, and in daily [fear] of being cutt off, he with the rest of the English &[ca] were forced for security of their lives to leave [Indapoora] ffactory Privately and goe down to Quallo, [Pagg] seated at the mouth of the River from whence they tooke an oppertunity to goe to Padang on the 3d May last, and from thence some of them went to Bencoolen, but himselfe John Gardner and Mr Deane tooke their passage [*lacuna in the original* June] on a Dutch sloop for Batavia, and from thence after 2 dayes stay in Batavia, tooke passage by the Generalls permission on a Dutch Ship for Pollicherry.

Mr. Gibbons reasons for Leaving Indapoora.

Mr Gibbons was ordered forthwith to draw out a narrative of the occasion, and manner [of] their leaving of Indapora, and therein give perticular account of the Dutch Practices, by which he sais they were underhand expelled.

Mr. Gibbons ordered to draw a Narrative of ye occasions of Leaving Indapoora.

Allsoe Mr Deane and Mr Gardener are each to give in a Narrative of what has [come] to their knowledge.

Messrs Deane & Gardener to give in a Narrative of wt has come to yr knowledge.

Nicholas David, Peter Pares, ffrenchman, John de Costa, Manuel Marchannos Topasses entred as Souldiers of this Garrison.

Two Topasses and 2 ffrenchmen entred soldiers.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 21ST.

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr. Barker haveing made a complaint that the Tanke behind his house over flows into his yard and house, and is in like manner offensive to severall others of his Neighbours, by reason of the stopping up of a Water course formerly made by Mr Wavell for the conveighance of the water into the River, which Mr Pitt the now owner and possessor of Mr Wavells house has caus'd to bee stop'd up, It is ordered that Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster and Mr John Focquett Scavenger doe goe and make a surveigh thereof, and allsoe take in writeing the Allegations of both parties, and make a report to us, that a due provision may bee made for Preventing such a Nuisance before the raines bee sett in.

Mr. Barker complains yt Ye Tanke behind his house overflows his yard by reason Mr. Pitts stoping his Water course. Mr. Wright & Mr. Focquett to surveigh Do water course & report in writeing.

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Deane ordered to keep his station, his Sallary referred to further consideration.

Mr Barcham Deane presenting his Indentures made with the Rt: Honble: Company for serving them at Bencoolen, as Factor, at 30 £ ℔ annum, uppon which at present it is onely order'd that he retaine his station as factor, commencing from the 23d December 1691, the time of his arriveall att Bencoolen but the matter of his Salary is referred to further consideration.

[Dru] Gapa paysinto Cash Pags: 395: 21 fans ℔ Judgmt [of] Court.

The Attorney Generall pays into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pagos: 395: 21 fanams in full of a Judgement of the Court of Admiralty.

Against Drugapa for the balance due by the Generall Bookes from his father China Vincatadry late cheif Merchant.

Thoms: Brison entred Gunroom.

Thomas Brison Marriner is Entertain'd in ye Gunroome Crew.

Thoms: Saltmash entertained as an Armourer.

There being many Armes among those formerly return'd from Bengall and the West Coast which are uselesse, but are capable of being fitted. It is ordered that Thomas Saltmash, who served apprentice seaven years to a Locksmith in ye [. . .] bee entertained as an Armorer for the repaireing ye said Armes, and that Abraham Matlett (who [was an], Armorer in Poddicherry, and being a married man dismis'd by the Dutch to seek his Livelyhood came hither with his familly) bee entertain'd as his assistant till the said Service bee performed.

Pedro de monte Topaz entred a Souldier.

Pedro de Monte a Topaz now arrived from Indapoora is entred a souldier in this Garrison.

Genll: to ye Rt: H:C read & signed.

Generall to the Rt: Honble: Company dated 20th Instant read and sign'd to bee sent to ffort St David, and from thence to Tringombar, giveing an accot: of Mr Gibbons &ca their leaving Indapoora factory.

Genll: to Fort St: David.

Generall to Fort St David of this days date ordering them to send Ditto letter.

Genll to the Comissary Genll read & signed.

Generall to his Excellency Sr John Goldsborough Commissary Generall in Bengall, dated 15th and 21st Instant read and signed with Sundry Papers according to the list entred in the Coppy book of Letters.

Genll to Vizagapatam read & signed.

Generall to Vizagapatam of this days date read and signed, ordering them to forward ditto lre to Bengall.

Ordered to be bought for the M.H.B. Gold fans to be coined for losse silver to pass 36 ℔ pa: in paymt of Exchange The Paymt bee pagos for silvr fans when offerd him.

The shroffs haveing brought the price of fanams in the Bazarr, to 37 silver & 38 Gold for a Pagoda, by which means they who bring Paddy graine &ca which for supply of ye Poorer Inhabitants are ordered to bee sold by retaile, complaine of a considerable losse by the Exchange of fanams into Pagos: for an effectuall remidy of ye great abuse, It is resolved that all the fanams in Town bee bought up for the Rt: Honble: Compas: accot: at or near the said prizes, and when they are all gathered in, the Gold fanams to bee melted down and noe more coined, and then an order bee made and published that noe Gold fanams passe, and that Silver fanams passe in payments as well as in Exchange at 36 ℔ pagoda, neither more nor lesse, and the Tran[s]gressours of the order to forfeit the value, and because the Importers of graine &ca doe some times carry away Pags: for returnes of their goods sold, and the Shroffs takeing the advantage of their necessity doe compell them to give them fans: att a cheaper rate for Exchange, for the better encouragemt: of the trade of the place, It is ordered that ye Paymaster shall receive silver fanams when offered to him, and deliver in Exchange a pagoda for 36 fanams. By which means hee will bee for the most part furnished wth: a sufficient Quantity for the monthly payments of the Garrison.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

21ST.

Dispatch'd to ffort St David the Generall lre to the Rt: Honble: Compa: dated the 20th Inst: by Fort St David Peons and to Bengall dated the 15th & 21st Instant by Vizagapatam, returned Peons, wth: a Generall lre to Vizagapatam.

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23RD.

Recd: a Generall lre: from ye Govr: of Tringombar &ca advising the rect: of the Pacquett for the Rt: Honble: Compa:

24TH.

Briggantine Gingerlee haveing been in sight ever since ffryday, but by the contrary Currt: and scant winds not able to gett into the road a Cattemarran was sent to her with an order for the Pacquett, which came ashoare in the afternoon: and contained a Generall from his Excellency dated the 19th and one from the Agent and Councill of ditto date, with Invoice and Bill of Ladeing of the Briggantines Cargoe and accot: of her stores, and an attestation of 571 lb: short in weight of red wood sent by Do: Briggantine to Bengall.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 25TH.

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Pags: 1000 deld: Muttamar.

In persuance of the order of Consultation of the 21st Instant concerning fanams, 1000 Pags: was delivered Muttamar Cheif shroff to buy fanams of the shroffs.

the ffrench Padres request an assistnt: may be permitted to reside in ye place.

ffrench Padre permitted to reside here as an Assistt: to Padre Miguell on conditions.

Padres to render yearly accot: of Marriages, Christnings and Burialls.

The ffrench Padres haveing represented to us that Padre Ephraim is by age disabled, and that there remaines onely Padre Miguell to officiate in the Portugueze Church, whereunto there are belonging about Eight thousand Christians, as they call them, within the bounds of this Citty, and therefore request that a ffrench Padre may be admitted to reside here as an assistant to Padre Miguell, it is considered that the said Padre was formerly of Poddicherry but left the same before it was invested by the Dutch, and that he is of the same order with Padre Ephraim, Vizt: a Capuchin, and that while ye Church is permitted to continue, it is reasonable to allow a sufficient assistance for discharging the church office, which is too much for one, and uppon the whole, It is resolved that the said Padre may reside in this City as an Assistant to Padre Miguell, approveing himselfe true and subject to our Government, not holding intelligence to the prejudice thereof, not drawing our Soldiers or Protestant Inhabitants to the Romish Profession not marrying or Burying any but those of their own Church, and rendring a due accot: yearly of Marriages Christnings and Burialls, and number of Communicants, and this permission to continue till hee bee ordered to depart the place.

Coppies of Fort St. George Genll lres: &ca papers sent to Bengall ℣ ship Saphire to be sent by next conveyance.

Uppon peruseall of the Generall letters recd: ℣ Briggantine Gingerlee from the Commissary Generall and Agent and Councill dated 19th Augst: It is ordered that Coppies of the Fort St George Generall Letters to Bengall &ca Papers sent by ship Saphire, be sent by the next oppertunity said ship being missing.

Depty Govr. &ca Fort St. David ordered to gett ready wt: goods they can by November.

Our Merchts to do ye like.

It being probable that either ye Sampson or Charles the Second will November next call on this Coast to fill up, It is ordered that the Deputy Governour &ca of ffort St David bee advised thereof, that they may gett ready as much goods as they can against that time and that our Merchants here bee ordered in like manner.

Briggantine to be unladen.

That the Briggantine Gingerlee bee unladen & gott ready to proceed on such voyage as shall bee appointed her, reserving on board till further order seaven

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[25TH.] What things to be continued on board Do: Briggantine.

Puncheons of Porke fifteen baggs of Wheat fiftey five baggs Rice 14 Bengall Maund Countrey Match, and one hundred weight English Match.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

26TH.

Ship Tankard Samuell Prickman Master arrived in this road from Vizagapatam Laden wth: Graine &ca Briggantine Achean Merchant Robert Masfen [.. . .] from Bengall Laden wth: saltpetre wheat &ca the former brought a Generall Lre from Vizagapatam Dated the 12th Inst: and the latter two Generall letters from his Excellency the Commissary Generall from Bengall dated the 25th and 27th August, adviseing the arriveall of one ffrench ship in Bengall of 42 guns and 200 men, Her Name, Le Galliard, and the Comander Forsche, which is the ship that was in July last chased by two Dutch Ships of Negapatam, the Master of ye Briggantine reports that hee mett her goeing up Hugly River as hee came down and allsoe mett six Dutch Ships on this side Point Palmeras standing for Bengall.

27. Dispatcht a Generall Letter to ffort St David dated 26th and 27th instants.

Recd: a Genl: lre: from ffort St David dated 5th: wth: a duplicate of their Genll: lre: to the Rt: Honble: Compa: dated the 16th ditto, giveing an accot: of the seige of Pollicherry.

THURSDAY 28TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILIAM FRASER.

Two Dutch men entred soldiers in ye Garison Robt: Atkinson orderd Gunner of ye out works.

Two Dutch men Di[r]ick Johnson and Peter Henderson are entred souldiers in this Garrison and two ffrench men from the 15th Inst. La ffleur and Jan Ricent. Ordered that Robert Atkinson bee Gunner of the out works, in the room of George Selly att the same pay.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DELBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Dispatch't a Lre to the Honble: Laurence Pitt Governour of Negapatam of this days date, and a Generall of Ditto date to ffort St David ordering them to forward said Lre to Negapatam.

OCTOBER MONDAY 2.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNOUR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Pags 1000 to be paid ye Paymaster.

Ordered that Pags 1000 be paid Mr Thomas Wright Provll: Paymaster for charges Garrison.

Sea Customr pays into Comps Cash Pags. 50.

Mr Matthew Empson Provisionall Sea Customer paid into the Rt: Honble: Companyes Cash Pagods: 950 on accot: Sea Customes, and read accot of the Sea Customes for the month of August last, Vizt,

	Pa.	Fa	Ca.
Custome of goods Imported & Expd	813	26	4
Ditto of Graine Imported	266	1	—
Anchorage	34	18	—
Tonnage	45	30	—
Salvage	36	20	—
Pags ...	1193	23	4

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Ordered that Pags: 150 be paid to Timapa Nague out of the Peddanagues money in ye Cash Chest, and hereafter Pags: 50 ꝑ month at the end of every month for his maintenance. Tho other Arrangapanague haveing otherwise received much more and is not in want.

Pags: 150 Ordered Timapa-Nague.

Mr Mildmay delivers in an accot: of the money received in the choultrey [belong]ing to the Taliars, Coppy whereof is entred next after this Consultation wherein the Paddy is the same with that mentioned in Consultation the 27th December 1692 and paid Pags: 904 : 34: 70 wch: is put in the Cash Chest for security the Ballance remaining in the hands of Moodon the Choultry Cash Keeper, being as Moodon pretends stole from him, and is to bee further enquired into.

Mr Mildmay delivd an accot of wt recd in ye Choultry for ye Taliars and pays into ye Comps cash Pags. 904 : 34 : 70 :

Mr Dolben haveing a ship called ye Tankard bound for Vizagapatam, doth consent and agree that the said ship shall take in her full lading of redwood for the Rt: Honble: Compas: account, and carry the same to Ballasore road and tarry there 14 days for the delivery of the same after advice given to Mr Stanley by the Master of the ships arriveall, the freight to be paid here at the rate of halfe a pagoda, ꝑ candy, upon advice recd: from Mr Stanley and the Warehousekeeper is ordered to lade soe much redwood upon said ship as she can take in, causeing part thereof to be sawed for conveniency of stowage.

Redwood to be laden on ye Rt Hr C: accot for Ballasore.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

ARRINGAPANAGUES *Customes att ye: Choultrey.*

	Pa.	Fa.	Ca.		Pa.	Fa.	Ca.
1690—October	12	23	44	Recd: ye month	12	23	44
Novembr	17	12	73	"	17	12	73
Decembr	20	16	8	"	20	16	8
January	17	26	26	"	17	26	26
February	24	18	13	"	24	18	13
1691—March	44	—	15	"	44	—	15
Aprill	34	23	2	"	34	23	2
May	25	34	44	"	25	34	44
June	29	9	57	"	29	9	57
July	38	3	28	"	38	3	28
August	31	30	20	"	31	30	20
7ber	28	30	75	"	28	30	75
October	20	23	12	"	...		
November	22	3	—	"	18	31	—
Decembr	30	22	40	"	30	22	40
January...	34	34	45	"	30	34	45
February	66	8	—	"	46	8	=
1692—March	58	8	2	"	43	8	2
Aprill	48	5	42	"	23	5	42
May	40	35	67	"	12	35	67
June	36	10	23	"	16	10	23
July	35	25	27	"	16	19	27
August	16	29	37	"	13	29	37
Septbr	22	31	79	"	19	31	79
October	16	3	2	"	3	3	2
Novembr	13	22	2	"	13	22	2
Decembr	22	25	70	"	22	25	70
January	34	8	44	"	34	8	44
February	23	11	17	"	23	11	17
1693—March...	35	16	60	"	23	24	60
Aprill	35	17	61	"	20	17	61
May	23	14	70	"	23	14	17
June	20	15	49	"	1	15	47

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	Pa. fa. ca.		Pa. fa. ca.
July	18 : 15 : 21	Recd : ye month	8 : 15 : 21
Augst	15 : 21 : 34	„	15 : 21 : 34
	1017 : 27 : 4		787 : 7 : 70
By Mr Wavell pd him for Iron bars lost		... ...	2 : 0 : 0
			Pags 785 : 7 : 70

The aforesaid accot : of Pags ; seaven hundred eighty-five, seaven fans : & seaventy Cash being soe much recd : out of Aringapanagues Custome att the Land Customs, and paid into the Rt : Honble : Compas : Cash this second day of October 1693.

℘ MATT : MILDMAY.

ACCOT : OF THE PEDDENAGUES CUSTOMS &CA : RECD : IN YE CHOULTREY.

			Pa. fa. ca.
Dr	To the amot : of Do : Custome recd : from Octobr 1690 when ye same was first stop'd by order of the late Presidt : Yale, to Augst 1693 is as ℘ monthly accot of Perticulars ...		Pags 1017 : 27 : 4
	To the amot : of Paddy sold in Decembr 1692 & the money deposited in the hands of Mudda, Choultry Cashkeeper, by consent of Aringapanague & Timapah Nague as ℘ accot rendred by the Conicoplies appointed to sell it Vizt— Paddy claim'd by Aringapa Nague gers 12:44 merll 1½ meas : sold for Pa : 202:3 : Paddy claim'd by Timapahnague gers 7:181 mercll 1¾ meas : sold for : 131:13		Pags 333 : 16 : 0
			„ 1351 : 7 . 4
Cr			Pa. fa. ca.
	By cash paid by Order of the Choultrey to Mr Thomas Wavell for Iron Barrs lost		Pags 2 : 0 : 0
	By cash paid Aringapanague at severall times between Octobr : 1690 & Augst : 1693 as ℘ monthly accot : of perticulars ...		„ 230 : 19 : 14
OCTOBR 2, 1693.	By cash paid by Order of the Court of Admiralty, to Succana & Opia, for so much stolen from them in his precincts ...		„ 78 : 0 : 0
2.	By cash paid the Honble : President in Consultation		„ 706 : 0 : 0
	By cash paid the Honble : Presidt in Consult : on accot : paddy sold	Pags 198 : 4 : 0	
	By Proffit & Loss Exctra of Gold fans : on D. : accot being 6355	„ 9 : 10 : 0	
	By Balance remaining in ye hands of Mudda on accot : Paddy	„ 125 : 33 : 0	
			333 : 1 : 0

Errors Excepted ℘ Matt : Mildmay.

Pags : 1351 : 7 : 4

7 Delivered ship Ffour Brothers Henry Harnett master Passes for Ditto ship and men.

Dispatcht a Generall of this days date to Fort St David Inclosed in which was a License for Padre Johannes Clerici, a Priest of the order of the Theatines.

9 Yesterday in the evening ship Ffour Brothers sailed for Retturra on wch : five souldiers with their Amunition Provision and necessaries tooke their passage for Returra the Briggantine Kent not being allowd : to carry the number ordered conveniently.

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AT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 10TH.

Present

THE HON^BLE: NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R: PRESID^T & GOVERN^R:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^a JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pag^s: 1500 bee paid to the President for 5379 Surratt rupees bought by him and deliverd to Mr Fraser the Warehousekeeper. — Pags 1500 to be pd ye Presidt.

Ordered that John Blasswell William Rice John Thea and Isaac Littleworth bee discharged from the Gunroom Crew, being for the service of the Tankred [*sic*] bound for Bengall and of the ships bound to Retturra. — all of ye Gunroom ordered to be discharged.

Ordered that Pag^s: 17: 28 fan^s bee paid to Mr John Braborne, for the halfe of halfe a years salary due the 29 September last. — Mr Brabourns salary ordered to be paid him.

Ordered that Pag^s: 500 bee paid Mr Thomas Wright Prov^ll: Paymaster to defray charges Garrison. — Pags 500 to be paid

The following Generall Letters read & sign'd Vizt To his Excellency the Commissary Generall dated the 5th & 6th To the Agent and Councill of Bengall dated the 5th Instant, to Mr Henry Stanley Cheif and Councill of Ballasore dated 6th Instant Incloseing Invoice and bill of Lading for Candys: 376: 1 m^d 8th of red wood, and to the Command^rs of Europe Ships in Ballasore road Dat: 6 June to bee sent by Ship Tankred, allsoe Generall Letter to the President and Councill at Surratt dated the 15th Inst: allsoe Generall Letter to Messrs Braborne and Acworth of this days date, being additionall to the Commissary Generalls Instructions and it is resolved to send by Pattemar Duplicates of the said letters to Bengall with the Papers therein mentioned. — Genll letters read & sign'd. — Pattemar ordered to Bengall.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Dispatches of Briggantine Gingerlee and Ketch Mochdum sign'd and deliver'd in the afternoon to Owen Channell & Thomas [Briso], the Masters, who went off, but the Invoice being large and not finished Mr Braborne stayed ashore for them. — 11.

Deliver'd to Mr Braborne The Packett for Retturrah according to the following list, who went off in the afternoon, and both the Ketch and Briggantine sailed with a fair wind. — 12.

The List of the Packett deliver'd Mr Braborne Vizt:

No. 1. His Exce^lly the Commissary Generalls Commission and Instructions to Messrs Braborne & Acworth dated July 1693.

2. Coppy of Mr Acworths Lre to the Commissary dated 31 May 1693.

3. Coppy of a clause of Generall Childs letter to Call[icut] dated 28 July 1688.
Coppy of the R^t Honble: Comp^s: Letter to Retturra dated 29 ffebruary 1692.
Coppy of a Consultation aboard ship Modena dated 3 December 1692.
Coppy of President Harris &c^a Generall Letter to Callicut date[d] 9 November 1690.
Coppy of a clause of the R^t: Honble: Comp^as: Letter [to Surratt dated 25th September 1691].

4. His Exce^lly: the Commissary Generall's Letter to Mr Acworth dated 27 July 1693.

5. Do. Letter to the Queen of Attinga of ditto date.

6. Presid^t: and Councill of ffort St. George their additionall Letter to Messrs: Braborne & Acworth dat: 10 October 169[3].

7. Bill of Lading of Briggantine Gingerlee to Retturra.

8. Invoice of ditto.

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9. Bill of Lading of Ketch Mochdum to Retturra.

10. Invoice of ditto.

11. Coppy of Mr Acworths Letter to his Excelly: the Commissary Generall dated 18th August 1693.

12. Coppy of Fort St George Generall Letter to Mr Acworth dated 13 September 1693.

13. Duplicate of Owners Ship Speedwell to Mr Acworth dated the 22nd August.

14. Coppy of the Owners Ship Speedwell their Petition to the Presidt: and Councill of ffort St George concerning 1100 Rupees seiz'd by the Queen of Attinga dat: 5 Octobr.

15. Treaty Marine between England & Holland Decembr 16th.

16. Coppy of Articles agreed on between the Commissioners of England & Holland at Westminster 167¾.

17. Coppy of Letter from Mr Acworth dated 15 Sepbr 1693.

18. List of souldiers and their pay.

12TH 19. List of seamen belonging to Briggantine and Ketch with pay.

This morning ship Tankred Samuell Prickman, Master, sail'd for Ballasore road.

Recd: a Generall Letter from Myn Heer Laurence Pitt dated the 5/15 Instant, adviseing the arriveall of a Dutch ship at Tutecorree, which sailed from Zealand the 5th March last, but no New[s].

FRIDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Pags 1080 fas 33 due for rent money.

Zulphaker Cawn haveing written a letter ordering the payment of three years rent money to Ajemondillee, the accot: thereof haveing been examined by our Generall Bookes it appears there is but 1080 Pags: 33 fans: due to the last of [June] 1693 but the receipts being examined there is [found] to be wanting a receipt for 304 Pags: 12½ fans: for sundry payments made by Zulphaker Cawns [order] which Emaun Cooley did promise when last [here] to procure and send us, but hath not yett sent [it] soe that if wee doe pay the Ballance to Ajemondillee who will not give a receipt [in] full, the Duan will hereafter demand the 304 Pags: 12½ fans: and will never be allowed in accot: if Zulphaker Cawn be [turnd] out of his Employment. It is therefore [resolved] to write to Zulphaker Cawn and Emaun [Cooley] stateing the accot: of the rent money, and desireing a receipt for what has been paid and an order for payment if the Ballance Note that by an accot: stated with Emaun Cooley when hee was here, of the prices of those [things] spared to the Camp, the Ballance of the rent money is Pags: 1095: 23½ fans [which] the Bookeeper is to observe in entring [said] accot: in the Generall Bookes.

Lrs read & sign'd to Zulph Cawn Ema: Cooley.

The said Letters to Zulphaker Cawn and Emaun Cooley were read and approved.

Bill to be put on ye gate for ffarming Licence for selling [. . .] of Arrac.

The arrac ffarme commenceing the first of November next haveing been by Publick bills on the Gates declared to be lett, upon which severall have made Proposealls as well for Arrac Jaggery and Arrac root, as for Arrac, in which they have advanced considerably upon the summ given last, It is thought fitt not to accept them, but that on Thursday the 19th Inst the ffarme bee lett by Publick Outcry, and the Secretary is Ordered forthwith to cause the following bill to bee fixed on the Gates in English Mallabars and Portugueze Vizt:

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On Thursday the 19th Instant between nine and ten a clock in the morning will be put to sale by Publick outcry at ye sea-gate the ffarme of Licence for makeing and selling Arrac within this Citty and the bounds thereof for one year. Allsoe the ffarme of arrac Jaggery, and arrac root apart where all Persons are free to bid, and they that offer most are to enjoy the Privilledge according to the Custome.

Matheus de Costa a Portugueze & Antony Lablanco a ffrenchman entred soldiers in ye: Garrison from the 15th past, when omitted to be entred, and Jacob Peterson and Andrew Miller Dutchmen from this day.

Soldiers entred.

The Shroffe Muttamar haveing brought in 22,000 Gold fanams poz. ozs 120: 11: 6: Mr Stone was sent for & ordered together with the Mint Braminy to count them, and melt them down into one Masse and Assay it, and make report how the same will accord with the fanam Matt of ffort St David, whither it is resolved to send them, and the rest that may be hereafter brought in to be coined into their great fanams.

Mr Stone and the Mint Braminy ordered to melt down 22,000 Gold fanams.

Mr William Fraser Warehouskeepr paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 350, on accot: Goods sold.

Mr fraser Pd into ye Rt Honble Comps: Cash Pas: 350.

Ordered that Pags: 300 bee paid Mr Matt Mildmay on a bill drawn the 7th Instant by the Deputy Govr: &ca Councill att Fort St David for so much paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash there by Mr John Haynes.

Pags: 300 Order'd to be paid Mr Mildmay.

Mr Mildmay delivers an account entred after this Consultation of the Towne Conicoplies revenue in the Choultrey from July 1692 to July 1693, amount to Pags: 105: 9: whereof hee has paid to Berra Timapa Pags: 3, and now delivers in the Ballance Pags: 103: 9: 1: which was put in the Cash Chest.

Mr Mildmay deliver'd an accot: of ye Towne Conicoplies revenue recd on ye: Choultry from 92 to 93.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL. FRASER.

Wooree Lingua Town Conicoplies Custome recd: att the Choultrey Vizt.

		Pa.	fa.	Ca.
1692	July ...	10	1	12
	August	4	28	67
	September	6	3	28
	October	6	22	44
	November	5	22	15
	December	5	...	67
	January	14	9	31
	February	6	7	43
1693	March	10	16	66
	Aprill ...	14	15	47
	May ...	11	7	8
	June ...	6	18	75
	July ...	3	34	52
	Pags:	105	9	22

Wooree Lingua Town Conicoplies Custom recd: att the Choultrey.

Dr.	Pa.	fa.	Ca.	Cr.	Pa.	a.	Ca.
The amot of Do Custome recd from July 1692 to July 1693 as ℔ monthly accot: of ℘ticular	105	9	22	July Paid Barry Timapah ...	3	0	0
				Octr ye 12 Paid the Honble Presidt in Councill accot: ...	102	9	22
				Pags	105	9	22

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℔ MATT: MILDMAY.

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16. Yesterday in the evening Briggantine Acheen Merch^t^: William Legatt Master Sett saile for Persia.

17. Generall Letter to his Excellency the Commissary Gen^ll^: in Bengall Dat: 16th Instant signed and Duplicate to D^o^ dat: 5 & 6 Ins^t^: with papers according to list. Allso Duplicate of Generall Letter to the Agent and Councill of Bengall dated the 5th: with Papers according to List and duplicate of Generall letter to Mr Henry Stanley Cheif and Councill at Ballasore dat: 6th: wth coppy of Invoyce of redwood ℘ Ship Tankred, and duplicate of the Generall letter to the Commanders of Europe Ships in Ballasore road dated 6th and generall Letter to Vizagapatam dated this day Ordering them to send forward the three Bengall Pacquetts for Ballasore.

These were all sent by two Peons to Vizagapatam.

WEDNESDAY 18TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^: NATH^LL^: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOVERN^R^
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^ JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Pags 2,000 Ordered to be p^d^ the Merchts.

Ordered that Pag^s^: two thousand be paid to Timapa &c^a^ Cheif Merchants in further part of the last Contract. They haveing not had occasion before for any part of the second Payment, and doe agree to call for it as they want it.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

THURSDAY 19.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOVERN^R^
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^ JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Judge Dolben pays Pags 711: 10: fa: into ye R^t^ Honble C Cash.

Judge Dolben paid into the R^t^ Honble Comp^s^ Cash Pag^s^ 711: 10 fan^s^ in full of English Allum sold him.

Pags 1000 p^d^ ye Paymr.

Ordered that 1,000 Pag^s^: bee paid to Mr Thomas Wright Prov^ll^: Paymaster for charges Garrison.

Presidts acco^t^ Cash read.

Mint acoot read.

The President read his acco^t^: of the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: Cash for the month of September last, the ballance remaining in Cash chest then being Pag^s^: 5529: 29: 4 allso acco^t^: of Gold coined in the Mint for perticular persons in the months of July, August and September the amo^t^: Vizt:

		Pa.	fa.	Ca.
July Pag^s^: 6167	Custome	30	30	0
August „ 2741		13	25	3
September „ 416		2	3	0

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Mr: Thomas Wright read his Paymasters accots: for the months of July and August last ꝑticulars Vizt:

Paymrs accots read.

		Pa.	fa.	ca.
July	Charges Garrison	855	6	0
	Charges Generall	396	12	0
	Accot: Presents	13	11	0
	Charges Cattle	9	12	0
	Charges Merchandize	28	5	0
	Charges Dyett	330	3	0
	Factors Provisions	219	4	0
	Bengall Agency	65	14	0
	Fortifications and Repaires	224	29	0
	Accot: Shipping	267	22	0
	Yegmore	3	6	0
	Pags:	2412	16	0
	August Vizt—			
	Charges Garrison	898	3	0
	Charges Generall	392	1	0
	Accot: Presents	15	10	0
	Yegmore &ca	3	6	0
	Bengall Agency	3	22	0
	Charges Merchandize	15	13	0
	Charges Cattle	12	27	0
	Charges Dyett	271	20	0
	Factors Provisions	173	28	0
	Fortifications and Repaires	176	22	0
		1962	08	0

Mr: Hamon Gibbons haveing been formerly orderd to produce his accot: Cash Accot: remains in Indapora Factory, the Coppyes of their accots: last sent to Bencoolen, and a Narrative of the occasion of deserting the ffactory, hee was now sent for and said accots: demanded of him which hee promises to deliver in next weeke alledging that for want of Paper and books, his accots: were all scattered in loose pieces of paper and his indisposition since his arriveall here has occasioned so long a delay.

Mr Gibbons sent for and ye reasons of his leaving Indrapore demanded.

Mr: William Fraser and Mr: Thoms: Wright being ordered to sell at outcry this forenoone the Licence of arrac &ca: they report as follows:

Mr ffraser & Wrights report of the sale of Licence for selling & distilling of arrac.

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
The stilling and selling of arrac by retail sold to Rama and Narrain for Pags:	520	0	0
Arrac root to ditto	200	0	0
Arrac Jaggery to ditto	600	0	0
Pags:	1320	0	0

The said Licences commenceing the first of November next, and to continue for one year ending the first of November 1694.

Licences for selling & distilling of arrac to commence 1: 9br:

The Merchants acquainting us that they have bought cloth in Parts beyond Chingee which they dare not Venture to bring overland the way exposeing them to the hazard of the Morrattas and Moors Armys, and requesting that they may have an Order to Mr: Hatsell, &ca: at Fort St: David to receive their cloth and keep it there till an opportunity offers for bringing it hither. It is agreed to grant their request, they paying onely the usuall Land Custome for the same, as they pay for Cloth brought into ye: Towne by Land, which is to be accounted for, and not to bee recd: in ffort St: David the Merchants bearing risque and charges.

The Merchts request leave to put yr: cloth in ye: Comps: Godowns at ffort St: David.

Mr: John Focquett Rentall Generall paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 266: on accot: Quitt rents in Pags: and Gold fanams.

Mr focquet pays into ye: Rt: H. C. Cash Pags: 266.

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Mr fraser pays in pag^{s} : 29.

Money ordered to bee deliv^{d} : Muttamar to buy Gold fanams.

M^{r} : William Fraser paid into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{s} : Cash Pag^{s} : 29 : on acco^{t} : goods sold being all in Gold fanams.

Ordered that Money bee delivered to Muttamar Shroffe to buy up Gold fanams by 200 Pag^{s} : at a time, till hee shall have bo^{t} : up and brought in all that are in Towne at the Buzar price, which is now about 40, 41 fanams ℘ Pagoda.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

MONDAY 23RD.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} : NATH^{LL} : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} : PRESID^{T} : & GOVERN^{R} :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} : JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^{R} : WILLIAM FRASER.

Present ordered to be sent Dunpataraw.

Dunpataraw haveing sent a Horse and Silver Bridle to the President on the 19th : Instant in Value about 120 Pag^{s} : It is ordered that the Warehouskeeper doe prepare a Present not exceeding that amo^{t} : to be sent him when hee shall leave S^{t} : Thoma Vizt. Halfe in wrought Silver, and the other halfe in Arms, Persia fruit & rose water Looking Glasses &c^{a} : Toys in the Godowne.

the Sea over flows y^{e} : Banks from S^{t} : Thomas Point to y^{e} : Barr.

the Moat between y^{e} : Bridge & y^{e} : Sea to be filled up.

Mr Lister & Hinchman ordered to assist Mr : Pitt.

On Friday the 20th : Instant at night the Sea on the height of the Spring tide, haveing when the wind was very calme overflown the Banke of Sand lyeing between the Sea & the River from S^{t} : Thomas' Point to the Barr. Wee went on Saturday to view the place, and find that if there had happened a Monsoon or a great wind at the same time, would have caused a much greater overflowing, which would by reason of the Mote lyeing before S^{t} : Thomas Gate, and the Trenching of the ground about S^{t} : Thomas Point, and Char [les] Point, have endangered both these Points being undermined. It was found necessary and ordered that the mote lyeing between the bridge and sea bee filled up and the ground lyeing between that and the Sea bee made Levell for the better turning the course of the sea from those Points, in case of its overflowing, & the Paymaster was then ordered to see it done with all expedition, before the expected Monsoon. M^{r} : Pitt Storekeepers acco^{ts} : for 40 Months ending June last being very large and not examined, It is ordered that the same be reduced to a Leidger acco^{t} : and that M^{r} : Lister and M^{r} : Hinchman dureing the Vacancy of business at the Sea gate doe assist him therein.

Leave given to China Mudia to sell ashore in y^{e} : stock to pay his debts.

China Mudia being Indebted to two Merchants who brought the Nabobs Letter severall times concerning it and China Mudia owning the debts and haveing noe other means to pay, doth sell halfe a share in the joint stocke to Corrapa Chittee and halfe a share to Pancata Rama Kisna, which is confirm'd, the buyers being more capable of serving the R^{t} : Honble : Company in the Investment.

Souldiers nor Gunn^{rs} : crew not to walk out of y^{e} : Walls [of the Xtian] Town & Black Town day 10th : [. . .] freeguard day wth : out leave from their Officer. The Ensign to call over the names of y^{e} : soldiers and y^{e} : Gunners mate y^{e} : names of y^{e} : crew every night.

There haveing been severall robberys and Burglaries committed of late both within the walls, and in the Black Town and Patta's, besides other disorders. For prevention thereof for the future, It is ordered that the souldiers of the garrison & Gun room crew upon their free guard days shall not walke out of the walls of the Christian Towne and Black Town, without leave of their officer and after sun sett shall carry neither Musket, sword, Baggonet nor other Arm's about them, and all the Europeans shall (except the Married men who have leave to goe to their famillies) repaire to the Souldiers Lodge, and the gunroom Crew to the place appointed, before nine a clocke at night when the Ensigne or Serjeant of the Company shall call over the names of the souldiers and the Gunners Mate the names of their Crew by the Muster roll, and marke the absent and report the same to the Govern[our] next morning.

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And further that the Talliars shall as hath been heretofore used, beat the Tom Tom through the black town at eleven a clock at night, after which time if any person whatsoever European Moor Muztee or Gentue, shall be found walking in the streets, either of the black town or P[e]ttas. The Talliars and Comp^s: Peons appointed to watch are ordered, and have power to lay hold off, seize such person and carry him to the next Guard where the Officer of the Guard shall forthwith examine him, and if hee doe not give a satisfactory acco^t: to him of the occasion of his being abroad soe late, hee shall detaine him upon the Guard till the morning, and then carry him to a Justice of Peace, who shall examine him, and proceed according as matter of suspicion or proofe shall appear. And if any souldier shall goe out of town without leave of his officer, hee shall not have leave given him within ten days after, and if any shall be found to have Arms after sun sett, shall upon the next free guard day be confin'd to the Cockhouse and for absence at nine a clocke at night, shall upon his next free guard day doe duty, and for second absence two days duty &c^a. And if any Person shall oppose abuse or beat the Talliars or Peons who after eleven a clocke at night shall seize them, to carry them to the next guard, they shall be proceeded against by the Justices of the Choultrey according to the nature of the fact proved.

The Taliars to beat ye Tom Tom at 11 a clock at night.

The taliars to seize any that walks after 11 at night.

No soldier to wear Arms after sun Sett.

If any Souldier, or of the gunroom Crew shall be found drunke either upon their Guard, or free-guard day, shall be committed to the Cockhouse, and there kept three days fed with rice and water, and the Marshall shall for provision thereof receive their three days pay, on the next pay day.

Any soldier or of ye gun-room crew yt: is found drunke to be put in the Cock-house.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Dunpattarau sending the President word that hee intended to depart from S^t. Thoma tomorrow, Hee sent him the Present order'd the 23rd Instant by Narrain. 25TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 26TH.

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOVER^R:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Thomas Wright Prov^ll: Paymaster read his acco^t: for the month of September last perticulars vizt :—

Paym^r read his accots: for Septr last.

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
Charges Gener: (*Sic*) ...	937	01	0
Charges Generall	316	30	0
Charges Merchandize	9	35	0
Charges Cattle	7	10	0
Charges Dyett	233	28	0
Bengall Agency	3	22	0
Yegmore ...	3	10	0
Fortifications & Repairs	54	32	0
Pags:	1566	24	0

Mr William Fraser warehousekeeper paid into the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: Cash Pag^s: 393 : 18 : on acco^t: goods sold and is ordered to buy one Candy of Copper to be coined into Copper Cash, and to deliver 5 candy of fine Salt Petre equall with the Proportion of Brimstone to the Powderman.

M^r ffraser p^d into ye R^t H. Comp^s Cash Pag^s 393 : 18 : the Powderman to have Salt Petre & brimstone deliv^d him.

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Mr Stone pd into R.H.C. Cash Pag 108 :

Mr Nathaniell Stone paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 108; ballance of accot: silver delivered him for silver coinage. Fauze Cawn Governour of Tipasoor ffort haveing writt a letter that one Modolare formerly a renter of the Kings Land there and indebted to the Duan upon that accot: made his escape into this Town, and after hee was delivered to his servants, hee was taken from them by force. Upon inquiry it is found that said Modalare being by the Presidents Order deliver'd to Fauze Cawn's servants, Mooda Verona pretending to the Mayor that Modalare was indebted to him obtained a Warrant, by Vertue of which he tooke him into his own Custody, and hath kept him ever since in his own house, and Modalare confesses that the Duan demanding seaven hundred Pags: of him did permit him to goe looke for money leaving a Merchant and his familly as securities for his returne, which Merchant appeard here and declared that his familly is Imprisoned by the Governour of Tripasore and his children chawbuck'd, and request that Modalare may be sent to redeem him and his familly. On the other hand Modalare owns himselfe indebted Pags 300 to Oma Mundia and Pags 300 to Mooda Verona both Inhabitants of this place who request that Modalare may make good their Debt before hee goes.

Modalare indebted to Oma Mundia pas 300 & to Mooda Verona pas 300.

Modalare committed to ye Custody of the Talliars.

It is ordered that Modalare be committed to the Custody of the Talliars, and a letter bee writ to Fauze Cawn that Modalare shall bee delivered to him as soon as hee has paid said Debts, or as soon as Fauze Cawn shall send his promise in writeing that Modalare shall bee return'd to us when hee has adjusted the accots: of the Duan.

The Assaymr and Braminy report of ye gold fans.

The Gold fanams deliver'd to the mint the matt being assayed by the mint Braminy is reported by him to bee 4 matt $\frac{5}{16}$ and by the Assaymaster better then $4\frac{1}{8}$. It is supposed the same will serve best to be coin'd into great fanams at ffort St David. It is therefore order'd that the same be sent thither in the charge of Mr Trevor Games, who is Order'd to goe thither with the first conveniency by Land, they having taken notice to us in their late Generall Lre that they want assistance for finishing their Bookes.

Mr Trevor Games Order'd to Fort St David.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

27. Ship Thankfull William Evans Master arrived in this road from Callicutt Laden with Beetlenut &ca:

This Evening Mr Trevor Games sett out for Fort St David by whome sent a Generall dat 26th Instant and 119 oz. : 12 dwts. of gold along with Ditto Games.

SATTERDAY 28.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ship Madapollam arrived from Bencoolen.

Ship Madapollam arriveing from Bencoolen last night, and lyeing to far off to unlade, It is resolved to send the following Order to the Master.

Orders to Capt Harbin to bring his ship near ye shore.

To Capt Richard Harbin Master of Ship Madapollam. Upon receipt hereof bringing your ship as neare into shore as conveniently may bee for dispatch of her unlading and by this boat come ashore yourselfe & bring with you the Packet, leaving orders aboard your ship, that upon the first appearance of a storme, they weigh and stand off to sea, till the expected Monsoon bee over and in case they cannot fetch this Port to repaire to Fort St David. Dated in Fort St George this 28th October 1693.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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Recd : a Generall letter from Fort St David da : 24 Inst Capt Harbin master of the Madapollam came ashore about two a clock very sick and acquaints us that the second mate and severall English Seamen are sick and all the Lasscars weakely. Whereupon 4 or 5 of the Gunroome crew were ordered to goe abord and assist, and allso twenty Lasscars to supply their places. But this afternoon the wind at North blew so hard, the boats could not gett off. Upon this ship came Messrs Sowden & Butterfeild. All this day wind and raine, and the surfe run soe high that boats could not gett off, some Lasscars attempting to goe off upon Cattemarrans, were wash't off and narrowly escap't drowning. 28TH. 29.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 30.

Present

THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Pacquet brought ashore on Satterday Last by Capt Harbin is perused and found to Contain a Generall Letter from the Worspll : Charles Fleetwood &ca Councill at Yorke Fort dat. September 2d with the severall books and Papers mentioned in the List from No. 1 to 41 : allsoe a Generall letter signed by Mr Samuell Willson second dated the 31 of August 1693 with the papers mentioned in his list of from No. 1 to 13 which list are ordered to bee entred in the Coppy booke of Letters.

The Pacquet from ye West Coast perused.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY NOVBR 1.

Present

THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR :
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that one thousand Pags : bee paid Mr Thomas Wright Provll : Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Pags : 1000 to be pd ye Paymr.

Mr John Affleck presents a bill drawn by the Governour and Councill of York Fort dated 28th Augst 1693 for Dollers 2698 : 2 :—Payable to Robert Turlington at ten dayes after sight not indorsed by Ditto Turlington.

Mr. Affleck presents a bill of Exchange.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 2D.

Present

THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Paymaster is ordered to Imprest Pagos : one hundred to the Mucquaw men as [useuall] at this time of the Year for repaireing of their Boats, to be discounted out of their Masula hire.

The Paymr to advance 100 pags to ye Mucquaw men as usuall.

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The Armenians deliver a Petition. The Judge & his Assists answer to ye Armenians Petition.

Cojee Gregorie and ten other Armenians came this morning and brought a Petition directed to the President and Councill, which is ordered to bee entred next after this Consultation & the Judge and Assistant of the Court doe thereunto answer for the present. That the Armenians have wholly misrepresented the business, the Court haveing made the opinion of all the Cheif persons of the Cast the rule by wch: they have proceeded in every Point, as delivered into Court and signed by thirty two of them: and shall be brought to the Honble: President and Councill which method was at first proposed & insisted on by the Armenians as the onely way to [come] to a certain knowledge of the Custome of the Cast, but the cause not being yet determined the Judge cannott draw up a perfect statement of it. But in the meantime does acquaint the Honble: President and Councill, that he hath had severall complaints and information brought to him that Cojee Gregorie and Cojee Stephen have been guilty of many ill practices to over rule and byass the opinions of ye Referees by which the Court would have been betraid into an erroneous Judgement. And further it is observed that the opinion given in by the heads of the Cast is in generall terms soe as to take in all Cases of the like nature, wherein any of the same Cast may bee hereafter concerned but the intent of their Petition is that the particular case depending between the parties may bee by nomination, refer'd to the determination of persons chosen out of the Cast by which means one party would have an advantage against the other by having greater influence upon the persons chosen.

Mr. Alvarez presents two bills of Exch. Mr. Pitt & ffleetwood a bill of Exch. Mr Stileman prsts: a bill of Exchange. Butterfeild prsts a bill of Exchange.

Mr Alvarez de ffonseca presenting two [bills] drawn by the Governour &ca Councill and York ffort at ten days sight, one dated 28th August 16 [. . .] for six hundred Dollers payable to Hugh Kenn [. . .] and one dated the 2d September for 1014 Dollers payable to John Butterfeild and both Indorsed to Mr Alvarez the said bills are [accot:] allsoe a bill dated 2d September for 500 Dollers payable to George Duke at ten dayes sight, Presented by John Pitt and Edward ffleetwood to whome the same is Indorsed and a bill dated the 28th August 1693 presented by Mr Stileman payable to Samuell Willson & endorsed by him to Ditto Stileman, allsoe a bill presented by Mr John Butterfeild dated 28th August for one thousand Dollers payable to himselfe.

Mr. Gibbons delivers Indrapore Accot: Cash.

Mr Hanson Gibbons delivers an accot: cash for Indapora ffactory from the first of July 1692 to the 23 May 1693 where the ballance due to him is dollers 23132: allsoe Mr Deane the Pursers accot: of disburstments from the first of Aprill 1692 to the 23 March 1693 but the ballance due to Mr Gibbons on commencing that accot: Cash being dollers 14081: 43: the preceeding accot: Cash was demanded to make that appeare, which he promised to deliver in short time, and the Pursers all being without an accot: Currt: Mr Deane was sent for, and order'd to deliver one.

reasons for not farming the Jaggery.

Whereas in Consultation the 19th [past] is mentioned Arrac Jaggery to be ffar[med] by Narraine &ca at Pags: 600 ℔ annm: which was allways intended and so declared to them before the outcry made, that the same was to bee understood onely of the sort of Jaggery which [w]as used onely for distilling Arrac. But [at] the outcry questions being put [by] severall bidders concerning the sorts of Jaggery, Upon which it was discoursed that there was three sorts of Jaggery used for distilling Arrac and thereupon the bidders did bid to Pags: 600, expecting to have [the] buying and selling of all those three sorts of Jaggery intirely engrossed to themselves whereas it is well known that two sorts [of] the three are for $\frac{7}{8}$ of all that is imported used by the meaner sort of people for [other uses] and that the Cost of that sort imported proper onely for Arrac doth not yearly amot to halfe the sume. It doth therefore appear to us to be a mistake, and doe upon consideration of all things alledged by the parties lay aside the ffarming of the Jaggery, and doe order a grant to bee given them onely for Arrac and Arrac root at the rate of Pags: seaven hundred and twenty as entred after this Consultation.

Grant to be given for farme of Arrac and Arrac root.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN
WILL: FRASER.

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TO THE HONBLE: NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT HONBLE ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY ON THE COAST OF CHORMANDELL &CA AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST GEORGE &CA COUNCILL.

The humble [petition] of the whole body of ye Armenian Merchants and Inhabitants of this place humbly sheweth unto your honour &ca Councill.

That whereas by the many favours of the Rt Honble: English East India Company in England and here, they have been encouraged to assemble themselves in a considerable body and live and trade in their Citties & settlemts which they hope too, has not been disadvantageous to their honrs.

But now to their great sorrow and amazement they find the Currt: of their favours wonderfully changed and stopped by the unreasonable handling and [use]ing our Chief Gentue writer, by one that pretends to a part of ye little he has gain'd in our service, by wch: useage he apprehends himselfe so greatly agreived, that he is resolved both to leave our service and this place. Hee has applyed himselfe to the Honble: Comps: Court of Judicature of this place for redress, who have been favourably pleased to choose some of their Cast to report their Customes to them. But your Petitioners with their writer is enformed by the said Cast, that his business is not comprehended in the points delivered in by them, wherefore your Petitioners humbly implores your Honr: &ca: that their servt Palum Tumana Chitty with Taumpe Tumana Chitty his adversaryes case by name may be put to the said persons chosen by the said Honble: Court whether they ought to divide or share their Estates or noe in consideration of their smallness of kin, and independency of their famillies, if ye said persons Order a Division, Your Petitioners will be the first shall see the same complied with, but if they say according to their Customes and Laws hee ought to have noe Dividend, wee are humble suitors to your Honr &ca that our Servant may be delivered from the trouble and vexation he is put to, which makes him whoely useless to us.

Your honr: &ca favour and Protection to our servant in what is just, will be ye same as to ourselves, because without him wee cannott mannage our trade and business which now lyes hard and heavy upon us.

And as in Dutey bound shall ever pray.

ESTEVAO MARCOO.
GREGORIO LAZARIO.
COJEE SAPHAR.
COJEE AJUTAM BALTEZAR.
GREGORIO PARAM.
AMIJAN ABRAHAM.
ABRAM ISAAC.
AVATUM JOSEPH.
PEDRO DE JESUS.

Wee the President and Councill for affairs of the Rt: Honble: English East India Company at ffort St George doe grant and lett to ffarme unto Aroa Narrain, Dassaree Ramana, Ellevamea Muttapa, & Guntata Peddaraz, the Licence of Distilling arrac and selling Arrac by retail, and [the] License of buying and selling Arrac [root] for one year beginning the 1 November [1693] and ending the 1 November 1694, forbidding all other persons to distill Arrac or sell Arrac by retail, or to buy or sell the said root in ffort St George Madrasspatnam or the Liberties thereof, without Licence obtained of the said Narrain &ca under penalty of forfeiting unto the Rt Honble : Company all arrac soe distilled or sold by retail, and the Arrac root bought or sold, and satisfieing the damages accrueing unto the said Narrain &ca as the Justices of the Choultrey shall see cause to award, the said Narrain &ca observing the following conditions and Orders. Arrac farm Cowle. Locus sigilli.

1. The said Narrain &ca are to pay unto the Rt: Honble: Company at the end of every month dureing the said term of one year the summe of sixty pags.

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2. They are to cause the arrac to be well distilled and of wholsome ingredients, under Penalty of suffering the Punishment formerly Provided against the use of Dutrow.

3. They are to Register in the Land Customers booke the names of all persons to whom they shall grant Licences by vertue hereof.

4. Those who take Licences from the said Narrain &c^{a} for selling arrac by retaile, are subject to such Penalties and Punishments as have been formerly declared for Misdemeanour & offences committed against the Orders of the Garrison.

5. The said Narrain &c^{a} are to deale reasonable with such persons as doe Import arrac root by sea or Land, and if the Importers thereof shall complain to the Justices of the Choultry, the said Narrain &c^{a} are to act according to their determination Given under our hands and the R^{t} Honble Comp^{s} seale this second day of November one thousand six hundred ninety three.

NATH : HIGGINSON.
JOHN : DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.

Arrac farm^{rs} obligaĉon to submit to ye Choultry Justices.

Wee the said Arroa Narain, Dassaree Ramana Ellevannea Muttapa, and Guntasalo Pederez ffarmers of the said License for distilling Arrac and selling of Arrac by retaile, and buying and selling of arrac root doe oblige ourselves to comply with all the conditions mentioned in the afore written Cowle, under the severall Penalties therein expressed, to bee awarded by the justices of the Choultrey to whose Determination wee submitt ourselves In witness whereof wee have hereunto sett our hands and seales this second day of November one thousand six hundred Ninety three.

నారాయడు చేవ్రాలు.
రామాన.
బద్దిరాజు చేవ్రాలు.
முத்தியப்பன்.

FRIDAY 3RD

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} : NATH^{LL} : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

the Dubash Ordered to treat with ye Junkanners. The warehousekeep^{r} ordered to provide & deliver ye rupees &ca to Narrain.

The Junkanners at Ypere haveing rec'd orders from Zulphaker Cawn, to cause a Town to be built there, and to draw Inhabitants to build and Dwell there, and to receive 5 ℘ Cent Custome on all goods carried in and out of Madrasse and severall of our discontented Chittees and shopkeepers haveing been drawn into a complyance with the designe, and treated with the Junkanners in order to their settlement there, the cheif Dubash was ordered to treat with ye Junkanners for Putting a stop to their proceedings, and the Junkanners haveing thereupon promised him to suffer goods to passe according to Sallabad and to forbear building &c^{a} and to write accordingly to Zulphaker Cawn. Uppon condition hee shall privately receive 200 rup^{s} a chest of Persia Brandy and [*lacuna in the original*] Broad cloth, It is thought more convenient to take of these stops by that way then to use force upon Duans officers, and the Warehouskeeper is ordered to provide and deliver the rupees &c^{a} to Narrain whoe is to deliver the same privately according to agreement.

Gen^{ll} from ye West Coast read thro & remarks made thereon.

On Monday last and this day, the Generall from Yorke Fort by the Madapollam was read through, and notes made thereupon in Order to further consideration.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

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3. Ship Thankfull William Evans Master sayled out of this road for Fort St David.

Ship Madapollam sail'd for Cudalore river.

MONDAY 6TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE}: NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Justices of the Choultrey haveing deliver'd anInventory amo^{t}: by computation to severall thousand Pag^{s}: taken by themselves the Choultrey Officers, Armenians Moors and Persians of the goods found in the house of Allia the late murdered moorman, which is sign'd onely by the Choultrey Justices, officers, and Armenians, but the Moorman and Persians doe all refuse to signe the same, being all influenced by Ajamahmd Allee who is one of the Creditors, and doth insist upon the delivery of all into his hands, Promiseing to deliver the Nabobs Order, and the Cojas chop, whereunto allso the Armenians doe advise us, alledging that to be the onely way to secure us from trouble. But upon good consideration of all circumstances Wee cannot comply therewith for these reasons.

The Justices of ye Choultrey delivered an Inventory of Allia ye Moormans Estate. The Moorman & Persians refuse to signe ye Sd Inventory.

1. The introducing of the Nabobs Order and Cojas chop in such cases is an ill President not to be admitted.

2. If the Estate be deliver'd to Aja Mahmod Allee who is now Governour of Pollicat and St Thoma, hee is liable to a suddain removall and if the creditors of the Estate, who are known to bee many both here and in Bengall (besides others that may hereafter appear) should demand their money of us it may occasion a great deale of trouble to the place, Aja Mahmod Allee not offering any security which may bee liable to make good the demands of the creditors.

Reasons for not delivering Allias estate to Mahmad Allee.

3. Many of the known creditors are absent and their consents cannot be had.

It is therefore resolved that the Justices of the Choultrey doe cause the acc^{ts}: of the said Moormans Estate to be Translated, and stated, by which the debts and credits may appear, and then either delivered to some substantiall Moormen and Persians Inhabitants under good security to save us harmless, or if none such can be found, to be delivered into the hands of the Court, to make Publick [sale] by outcry, and divide the produce among the creditors as they shall make appear ye debts and the remainder if any be, to be paid into the R^{t} Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash for the use of his relations, or those who shall have power to claim it.

The accots of Allia's Estate Ordered to be translated. Allia's estate to be sold by publick ontory.

Mr John Focquett Rentall Generall paid into the R^{t} Honble Comp^{s} Cash on acco^{t} Quitt Rents Pag^{s} 90 whereof Pag^{s} 50 in silver fans.

Mr Fooquet paid into the R.H.C. Cash Pags 90.

Mr Mattew Empson Prov^{ll}: sea customer paid into the R^{t} Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s} 800 on acco^{t} sea Custome, whereof Pag^{s} 110 in silver fan^{s} and Pag^{s} 60 in gold fanams.

Mr Empson paid into the Rt Honble Comp's Cash p^{us}. 800.

Mr William Fraser Warehouskeeper read his acc^{ts} of the Warehouse for the month of September last.

Warehousekeep^{r} read his acct for ye mo. 7 ber

Ordered that 150 Pag^{s} be Impress'd to the Washermen for cureing the R^{t} Honble: Comp^{s}: cloth.

150 pags to be paid the Washermen.

Mr Matthew Mildmay Prov^{ll}: Land Customer paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s} 1300 on acco^{ts} Land Custome and Raggia Chittee Pag^{s} 373 : 29¼ in full for China Allum.

Mr. Mildmay p into R. H.C. Cook p. 1300.

Capt Charles Metcalfe paid into the R^{t} Honble Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} 2000 borrowed of him at Intrest at 9 ℘ Cent for three months for w^{ch}: Bill is Ordered to be given him.

Capt Metcalfe pd into ye R.H. Comp^{a} p^{d} 2000.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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THURSDAY 9TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

the Merchts produce a Bill of Exch: for 1300 pa. the Bookkeeper to make an entry.

On the 4th of ffebruary last there was Lent and paid to our Merchants Pags 1300 for their present use here, which they promised to repay into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash at Fort St David, they haveing sent more money thither then they could invest which sume they paid them accordingly, and now produce the bill drawn by the Deputy Governour and Councill dat 20th March last, and the Bookekeeper is Ordered to make the following entry in the Generall Bookes LL: ending the 30 of Aprill, soe as to make our Bookes agree with Fort St David Bookes Vizt: Fort St David Dr to Timapa and Allingall &ca Merchants for thirteen hundred pags: paid by them into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash there, for which the Merchants produced a bill Drawn the 20th March Last by the Deputy Govr: &ca Councill as ℘ Consultation 9th November 1693.

Pags: 3000 Orderd to be paid the Merchts.

Ordered that Pags: three thousand be paid to Timapa and Allingall &ca Merchants in further part of their last contract.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

12TH. Recd: a Generall Letter from Fort St David Dated the 6th Instant.

MONDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Severall Generall Lres read and signed.

Generall letter to his Excellency ye Commissary Generall to the Cheif and Councill at Vizagapatam, to the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort St David to the President and Councill at Surratt all dated the 10th Instant and approved and a Generall to the Agent and Councill in Bengall dated this day.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

14.

Dispatcht the following Generall Letters, one to his Excellency the Commissary Generall in Bengall to the Agent &ca Councill of Ditto place, to the Cheif and Councill at Vizagapatam, wth: Orders to forward said Letters to Ballasore and one to the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort St David.

THURSDAY 16TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

550 pags: to be pd Mr Stephenson. 500 pags: to Mr. Wright.

Ordered that 550 Pags be paid to Mr John Stephenson in full for redwood and Timbers bought of him, and Pags: 500 to Mr Thomas Wright Provll: Paymr: for charges Garrison.

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[16th]

A Bill given Mr Alvarez for Dollrs: 1614.

Mr Alvarez da Fonseca produceing his two bills of Exchange presented the second Instant Indorsed a receipt thereon and wee gave him a Bill for Dollers 1,614 payable on demand.

The Attorney Genll ordered to draw up ye state of ye Case concerning Tho: Yales Voyages to Goa and China.

Mr Thomas Yale haveing lately declared to the President his intention of requesting leave for goeing to England so soone as an opportunity offers, and desired that if the Rt Honble: Company had any further demands upon him they may be prosecuted. The Attorney Generall was sent for, and ordered to draw up the state of the case relateing to his mismanagement in his voyages to Goa by the Madrass friggett, and to Macao by ship James, and to make report thereof on Thursday next.

The Attorney Genll Ordered to Examine ye Late Stewards accts.

Having been informed that Mr Edward King late Steward had made a bargain with John the Butcher for 50 Pags monthly dureing his Stewardship which is justly suspected to be the reason why the Butcher's [meat] in his time is charged in his accots: so much dearer then by the present Steward, to the great increase of the charges of the Generall Table. The Attorney Generall is therefore ordered to take the Examinations of the Stewards servants then employed and to report the same on Thursday next.

Late Presidt Yale requests yt he may have liberty to put Mr John Coventrys bond in suit in ye Comps name.

The late President Yale by his Attorney Mr Lad acquainting us that by Judgement of the Court of Admiralty he is decreed to pay to Mr John Coventry Pags 1028 for Damages he had sustained on accot: ship Satisfaction which was by him Ordered in a superiour Court to be seized for the use of the Honble: Company, Upon an appeale made by the said Mr Coventry from a Judgement of the Mayors Court, by wch: he was decreed to pay the Penalty of a Bond of 500 Pags given by him to Sr John Biggs as a security for the charge the Honble: Company had been at in repairs of the said ship when in Bengall. He therefore request[s] that the Honble: Company haveing by that act of his for which he is decreed now to pay Pags: 1028 been ever since posest of the said ship in satisfaction of their Bond, that he may have Liberty to put the said Bond in suit in the Honble: Compas: name, thereby in some measure to repaie himselfe, which is granted

4 Souldiers entred.

John Jacob, Michael Fatter and John Hendrich are entred souldiers of this Garrison from this day and Harmes Antony from ye first Instant.

Judge Dolben presents two bills.

Mr Dolben presenting two Bills drawn by the Deputy Governr &ca. Councill of Fort St David Vizt: for Pags 955: 3: 3: payable to himselfe dated second November for 636: 2: 1: dated the 6th ditto amot: in the whole to Pags: 1591: 5: 4: The same is ordered to be paid him for the value paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps Cash there.

Judge Dolben pd into ye Rt H. C. Cash 1500 Pas.

Mr Dolben pays into the Rt Honble: Compas: Cash Pags 1500: borrowed of him at intrest at nine ℔ Cent ℔ annum for three months for which a bill is ordered to be given him.

A Portugueze Soldier entred & one entred gun room Crew.

Domingo Deos is entred a Souldier in this Garrison and John de Seiza Perera of the Gun room Crew, the latter being the son of John de Seizas, the former Clerke of the Choultry for many years till age rendred him unfitt and is reduced to extreame poverty, the whole family being maintained by his son, who understanding all the Languages of the Country and their Customes, the Junkanner have been endeavouring to draw him into his service which is necessary to divert by makeing a present Provision for him.

2000 Pags be paid ye merchants:

Ordered that Pags: 2000 be paid Timapa, Allingall &ca Merchants in further part of last contract.

Mr Styleman pd into ye Rt H. C. Cash 2000 Pags.

Mr John Styleman paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Pags: 2000 borrowed of him att intrest at nine ℔ Cent per annum for six months for which a Bill was given him.

500 pags Ordered to be pd for Dollers bought.

Ordered that Pags: 500 be paid for dollers bought at 16¾ weighty ℔ 10 Pags: to be coyned in [to] fans.

Mr Dolben informing us that ship Tank[r]ed on which was laden redwood on ye Rt Honble: Compas: acct: for Bengall has missed the Port, and put into Madapollam road where shee now is, and that the ship being before by the Owners determined

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Redwood Laden on Ship Tankred to [be] brought from Madapollam hither.

for Ganjam to be sheathed, now shee is at Madapollam. They have agreed to have her sheathed there, and if shee comes hither to bring the redwood she cannot returne from hence to Madapollam or Ganjam to [be] sheathed till February by which means the ship which is uncapable of performing a voyage without it, will loose a years time, and therefore desires liberty at owners charge to send the redwood hither by hired Boats, Wee have consented thereunto there being no occasion to send so great a quantity to Bengall now, because the Europe ships will be gone from thence before it can arrive there.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Recd: a generall Lre from Vizagapatam dat: 24 Octobr last.

MONDAY 20TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Land Customer read [his] accts for Augst Septr and Octobr last.

Mr Matthew Mildmay Provll: Land Customr read his acct: Land Customes for the months of August September and October last and paid into the Rt: Honble: Compas: Cash Pags: 400 whereof 193 in Pags: and 207 in silver fanams particulars of Ditto months accts: are Vizt:

	Augst			Septr			Octbr		
	Pa.	fa.	ca.	Pa.	fa.	ca.	Pa.	fa.	ca.
Choultry Custome	113	13	0	93	6	0	91	20	68
Land Custome	1	3	28	1	4	43	5	19	72
Trible Cane Custome	0	10	15	0	6	5		...	
Rubie Broakers	18	0	0	5	22	72	4	14	0
Tobacco Renters	133	12	0	133	12	0	133	12	0
Beetle leave Renters	41	24	0	41	24	0	41	24	0
Cloth Broakers	9	35	27	14	16	76	50	21	0
To Yegmore &ca New Town ...	200	0	0		...			...	
Fines	2	9	0	112	0	0		...	
Town Conicoply for ye month August	3	8	14	1	29	0	5	1	1
	523	7	4	403	13	36	331	23	4

Two Dutchmen entred soldiers in ye Garrison.

Frederick Shoulder and Christian Hogandah Dutchmen entred Souldiers in this Garrison from this day.

One Rama Sing a Rashboot haveing made his complaint in the Choultrey against one Faukera, upon which the Justices awarded Faukera to pay 43 Pags: and committed him to the Custody of the Talliars in the Trunke, but on the 21 September last he made his escape by breaking through the Prison wall in such manner as is justly supposed could not be done without the privity of the Talliars, and the Peddenagues haveing been ordered to find the said Faukera within a set time which is long since elapsed. It is ordered that the Land Customer do pay the said 43 Pags: to the [Complainant] out of the money recd: by him for the [Peddenagues] duty, and place it to the Peddenagues account. Ordered that Pags: 202 be paid to Mr Fraser to pay for Planke bought of [. . .]

Pags 202 Ordered to be pd the Warehousekeeper.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Recd: a Generall letter from Fort St. David Instant.

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MONDAY 27TH

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pags: 294 : 4 fans be paid to Mr Pitt and Edward Fleetwood for Dollers 500 by the Governour and Councill of Yorke fort Dated the 2d September payable to George [D . . .] and by him indorsed to John Butterfeild and Do Butterfeild indorsed to Pitt and Fleetwood Dollers computed att 17 ℔ 10 Pags.

Pags 294: 4 fans pd to Mr Pitt & Fleetwood.

Mr Matt: Empson paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 600 on acct: sea Customes and Mr Matt: Mildmay Pags: 250 acct: Land and Mr Fraser Pags: 200 acct: goods sold, with Pags: 97 in silver fanams, and Mr John Focquett Pags: 103 : 30 : in silver fanams on accot: Quitt rents.

Mr Matt: Empson pd into ye Rt H. C. Cash Pags 600 & Matt Mildmay pa 250 & Mr Ffraser Pags 200 John Focquett pags 103 : 30.

Ordered that Abraham Mellett the French Armorer formerly entertained doe receive four Pags: a month to commence from the 1st instant.

The French Armorer to have 4 Pags month.

The Justices of the Choultrey haveing delivered in an abstract taken of Allia[Moor]mans Estate, as taken by the mulla Choultry Braminy and Allias' Conicoply by which It does appear that there were severall good[s] in his hands belonging to Hajee Mahomod Allee and severall debts owing to severall inhabitants of this Town, as well as Merchants of Bengall.

But his accots: being very imperfect, it is orderd for the present that the Choultry Braminy doe goe to Hajee Mahmod Allee and desire of him an accot: of what goods he had deliver'd to Allia, and how their accot: stands and yt a Bill in Persian and Gentue be sett upon ye Choultry Gate requireing all persons who are Creditors of said Allia to bring in their demands in writeing to the Justices of the Choultry in 15 days.

Choultry Braminy [to require] a bill in Persian and Gentue.

In persuance of an Order of Consultation of the 10th Instant the Attorney Generall delivered in a Paper this day concerning Mr Thomas Yale and Mr Edward King, as entred next after this consultation.

Attorney Genll delivers in a Paper.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TO THE HONBLE: PRESIDENT
AND WORSHIPFULL COUNCIL.

In obedience to your commands I have examined what papers have come to my hands relating to Mr Thomas Yales voyage to Goa & China, as for the first there is a generall paper sign'd T : W : I : C : W : F : T : G ; wherein Mr Yale is made Debtor for 980 Pags.

As for his voyage to China on ship [James] the same paper makes him debtor 1411 Pags but I cannot find any one paper that relates to anything of proofe thereof.

As for your Order concerning Mr Edward King, I have examined the Conicoplies that served him, and have writ under this their examinations.

Summoodro declares that in February last John Arts, [alias] John the Butcher told this Deponent that he had given Mr King [20] Pags that in March he gave him 30 Pags: [that] in Aprill, May and June this Deponent kn[o]ws Mr King recd: fiftey Pags each moneth, which was thus when John ask't for 200 pags at a time, Mr King paid him but 150 pags and tooke rects for 200 pags: when the month was allmost expired and John brought in 200 Pags worth of provisions they then cleared their accots: this Deponent finding that noe poultrey, nor any other provisions was brought in by any other person then John, this depont: ask't Mr King what was the reason thereof who replyed that John gave him more money than other people did, and further this deponent says not.

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Tonnapa declares that he heard Johns servants say that their Master gave Mr King every moneth money, to lett him [. . .] find the Company every moneth with all sorts of provisions, and further say'th not.

This is all the proofe I can find as yet.

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Yor Honrs: and Worps: &cas:
Most humble Servant
MATTHEW MEAD.

DECEMBER MONDAY 4TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNOUR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matt: Empson paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: [illegible]00 on accot: Sea Custome.

Mr Nathaniel Stone paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 135 : 3: produce of $\overset{lb.}{988}$ copper deliver'd by the warehouskeeper, and Pags: 600 silver fanams produce of $\overset{oz.}{737}$: $\overset{dw}{15}$ doller silver bought for silver coinage.

Ordred that 800 Pags: be paid to Mr Thomas Wright to defray charges Garrison.

Richard Ware is entred Gunners Mate for the Inner Fort at 5 Pags ℔ mensem, from ye 1st of November last, when the entry of his name is permitted.

By the accot: of the rent money as stated in Consultation 13th October last, and the letter to Zulphaker Cawn and Emaun Cooley of that date the Ballance due ulto: June last [was] Pagos: 1095: 23½ but by Zulphaker Cawns [letter] recd the 1st Instant he refuses to allow of Pags 152: 30½ paid on his order by President Yale Vizt. pags: 50 for Emaun Cooleys Boat hire and Pags: 102: 30½ wages advanced to Souldiers sent to the Camp which being added to Pags 1095: 23½ makes Pags 1248½ due for rent money ulto, June last. But the matter haveing been represented to Zulphaker Cawn as fully as can bee. It is thought fitt not to contend with him further [concerning] these things which [were] for[merly transac]ted and its Ordered [that the said sume of Pags 1248½ be paid to Ajee Mahmod Allee in full of rent money due June 1693, takeing his receipt for the same, and Ajee Mahmod Allee desireing a 100 Candy Lead at Pags 12 ℔ Candy, the Warehouskeeper is ordered to deliver the same to him in part of ditto sume, and that the remainder Pags: 48½ be paid in full.

Ordered that Pags: 1587: 12: 4: be paid to Mr John Affleake in full of one Bill drawn by the Governour and Councill of Yorke fort Dated the 28th August 1693 payable to Robt. Turlington or Order, Dollers being rated at 17 ℔ Tale for 10 Pags.

The President paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash Pags 414: 20:—being money in partnership between himselfe and Mr John Cheney deceased, and is borrowed for six moneths at 9 ℔ Cent Intrest: and Mr John Affleake paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash pa: 500 borrowed of him for six moneths at 9 ℔ Cent Intrest and order'd that bills be given for said Summes. The warehouskeeper is ordered to deliver out a chest of rose water to Ajee Mahmod presented him on payment of the Quitt Rent he haveing the Government of the Sea Coast from Pollicat to Covelone.

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Ordered [. . .] warehousekeep[r] [. . .] the Powder maker. M[r] [. .] Paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] Cash Pag[s] [. . .] ing dollers 1264½ pz: 10 [. . .] which Dollers [. . .] rated at 17 ℔ Tale for 10 [. . .] for which it is [. . .] that a bill be given [. . .] as borrowed at 9 ℔ Cent Intrest for three months, the same to be paid in Dollers of the same weight, if Dollers not procureable in, [silver] at such a rate as shall be computed to and the value in China.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TRANSLATE OF A REC[T]: GIVEN BY HODGE MAHOMUD ALLEE BEAGUE.

One thousand two hundred Pag[s]: for the rent money of Chinapatam out of which pa: 1000 upon acc[t]: of the year 169½ of Christ and in the 35th year of the Kings reigne, to the end of the same year Emaun Cooley Beague an Inhabitant [of] Chinapatam, by his means [it] was paid into the Kings Treasury, for which the Governour of Chinapatam has a rec[t]: under Nabob Allemerdun Cawns hand & Seale, out of said Sume Pag[s] 151½ paid for six ropes according to Nabob Zulphaker Cawns order, and sent to Chingee in the said year the remaining Pag[s] 48½ I Hodge Mahomed Allee amean [*sic*] of Pollicatt the Kings Slave rec[d] it. I [give this] writeing to be produced upon [occasion] Dated the 15th day of y[e] month Rubyou Sanee in the 1105: Year of Mahomet and in the 37 Year of the Kings reigne.

TRANSLATE OF HODGE MAHOMUD ALLEE BEAGUES REC[T]: FOR Y[E] TOWN RENT OF CHINAPA[TM].

One thousand two hundred Pag[s] for the last years rent (which is in the year of Christ 169⅔) of Chinapatam, and in the 36th year of the Mogulls reigne, according to Nabob Zulphaker Cawns Order I Hodge Mahomud Allee [amean], the Kings slave, rec[d]: of the Governour of Chinapatam the said money and I give this writeing to produce hereafter upon occasion Dated the 15th day of the moneth Rubyou sawnee in the 1105 year of Mahomet, and in the 37 Year of the Kings reign.

5. Rec[d] a Generall letter from Vizagapatam dated the 10th Nov[r] last.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 7TH.

Present

THE HON[BLE]: NATH[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] & GOVERN[R]:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pag[s] 134: 4: be paid M[r] John Styleman on a bill dated the 28th August last drawn by the Governour and Councill of Yorke fort for dollers 228: payable to Samuel Willson or order, and Pag 588: 8: to M[r] John Butterfeild on a bill drawn by ditto of that same date for dollers 1000 rateing dollers at 17 ℔ tale for 10 Pag[s].

M[r] Barkam Deane haveing produced [. . .] acco[ts]: whereby there is due to him 11 or 1200 his Pursers acco[t]: and for salary at Indapora which acco[t] requires further examination. It is ordered in the mean time that Pag[s] 50 [be] paid him for his present occasion.

The last generall from Fort S[t] David haveing advised that the fanam gold last sent them to coine into their fanams, came out with little loss. It is ordered that 18500 fanams (weighing 99 Oz.: 8 Dwt.:) more be melted down and Assay'd, and sent to Fort S[t] David by the first conveniency.

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Ordered that Mr Thomas Wright Provll Paymaster doe advance Pags 200 to the Brickmakers and to the Steward of the Hospitall 10 Pags 14 Fans ½ being so much disbursed by him more then received for the four moneths last past.

Ordered that the following [. . .] be set on the Sea gate Vizt: On Wednesday the 20th Inst: will be exposed to sale at the Sea Gate by Publick outcry, the wine Licence for the ensueing year, commencing the 1st January next. In the mean time any persons that desire to be concern'd may bring their proposealls to the President and Councill. There being a report in Town that an Interloper was arrived in Bengall, and Mr Trenchfeild being thereupon sent for produced a letter to him from Mr Henry Stanley Cheif of Ballasore dated 14 October adviseing the arriveall of the Sedgemore upon which Mr Thomas Pitt and Mr Allen Catchpole are come out as supra Cargoes on a privat accot: but does not expresse whether it be an interloper or permissive ship.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

8. Recd a Generall lre from Fort St David dat: 2d.

10. A Pattamar from Vizagapatam brought their Generall letter dat: 21st past and one from their Agent and Councill in Bengall and another from his Excellency the Commissary Generall both dat: 14th October last.

MONDAY 11.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Generall letters from Bengall and Vizagapatam read and discoursed but made no further resolve upon the matter of them then to hasten an answer to the Commissary Generall, and advise him the state of our stock, in order to a supply from the two ships belonging to the Rt: Honble: Company, which comeing out at the same time with the Interloper may be supposed to be arrived in Bengall.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TUESDAY 12TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDr & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Capt: George Herron paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash Pags one Thousand borrowed at Interest at 9 ꝑ Cent ꝑ anñ: payable at three moneths Vizt. Dollers 1700. rated at 17 ꝑ Tale for 10 Pags poiz Oz. 1456 : Dwt. 15½ to be repaid him in specie, or silver of equall value in China, whereof It is ordered that Dollers 1614. be paid to Mr Alvarez da fonseca, in discharge of our bill given him the 16th November last, for two bills drawn on us by the Governour and Councill of Yorke Fort, and the remaining 86 Dollers be coined into fanams.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Received a Generall letter from Fort St David dated the 8th Instant.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 14TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Generall letter to His Excellency the Commissary Generall dated the 9th and 13th Instant To the Agent and Councill of Bengall, The Cheif and Councill of Ballasore, The Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatam all dat: 13th and to the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort St David dated the 14th, also a lre to the Seer Lasscar of the Gingerlee Coast of this date read and sign'd.

Cooper haveing serv'd out his [. . . con]tracted time here and at Fort St David, & from thence bringing his discharge he is at his request entred a souldier in this Garrison and to serve in the second Company.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

SATURDAY 16TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Padre Clerici returning hither from Fort St David bringing with him the Licence formerly granted him and alledgeing that not understanding the English Language, he was not sensible of the Import of some articles, which upon consideration he finds directly contrary to the strict rules of his order, and that his acceptance thereof will render him liable to the Ecclesiasticall censure of his superiours, & therefore chooses rather to leave that place and repair to Madapollam, whither he is invited to succeed the Padre lately deceased, then to accept. But it not being thought convenient to alter the Articles upon his objections, and yet more requisite to admit him at Cuddalore, then either a French or Portugueze Padre, he being of a different order and Nation from them both. It is agreed that Padre Clerici be permitted to reside there, and performe the Office of a Preist so long as he shall behave himselfe well and that the matter of the Articles be further referr'd to his Excellency the Commissary General's comeing, and that a letter to that effect be writ to the Deputy Governr: &ca: Councill of fort St David, which Padre Clerici being accquainted wth: was contented therewith, and deliver'd up his former Licence.

The Choultry Justices haveing examined the Accots: of Allia the murthered moorman by which it doeth appear that there are severall person[s] indebted to him, and the Estate indebted about 5000 Rupees to Inhabitants here and in Bengall, besides what other debts may hereafter appear, and the Armenians, Moors and Persians Inhabitants refuseing either to take charge of the estate themselves, or to give security to the Rt: Honble: Company for Hodge Mahomud Allee It is ordered that Judge Dolben doe take care that all the goods &ca of the said Allia be put to sale by Publick outcry on Thursday the 21st Instant, appointing Mr William Fraser Assistant of the Court of Admiralty, and Mr Matthew Mildmay Justice of the Choultrey to take accot: thereof, and to call Cojee Gregorie Davemount &ca Creditors of the Estate to be present at the outcry and to keep and agree the accot; of the sale. The produce whereof to be paid as soone as recd: into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash and to be paid out upon the decree of the Court of Admiralty to the

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severall Creditors, as they shall make and there prove their demands. The over plus of the Estate if any be to remain in the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash, to be made good to the relacons of the deceased, who shall make appear their claimes.

The President read accot: of cash for the moneth of October last the ballance being Pags: 2141: 11: 4. and November the ballance being Pags 2464: 35: 1, allso accot of gold coin'd in the Mint in the moneth of October Pags: 665 Custome at 2½ ℔ Cent Pags 3: 2: in the moneth of November no Gold coined, there haveing been no gold Imported since May last, whereas useally ships in September from Acheen bring a considerable quantity.

Mr William Fraser read his Warehouse accot: for the moneth of October last.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

15. Recd: a letter from Wottamaugh Chund Secretary to Zulphaker Cawn.

MONDAY 18TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The President paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 50 accot: Custome gold coined in the Mint, and Mr Focquet Pags: 202: 19, accot Quit Rents, and Mr Matthew Mildmay Pags: 87 accot Land Custome.

Ordered that Pags 339: 19 fans: be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymr: accot: charges Garrison.

Mr Matthew Mildmay Provll: Land Customr read accot: Land Custome for the moneth of November last perticulars Vizt:—

	Pa.	Fa.	Ca.
Land Custome	1:	12:	68
Choultry Custome	58:	31:	9
Triblecane Custome	0:	5:	19
Yegmore &c New Towns	62:	0:	0
Rubye Broakers	0:	19:	25
Tobacco Renters	133:	12:	0
Beetle Renters	41:	24:	0
Cloth Brokers	29:	4:	5
Town Conicoplies Custome	2:	15:	37
Fines	2:	18:	0

Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymr read his accots for the moneth of October last particulars Vizt—

	Pa.	Fa	Ca.
Charges Garrison	844:	1:	0
Charges Generall	326:	2-:	0
Charges Merchandize	43:	3:	0
Charges Cattle	13:	3:	0
House Moveables	11:	0:	0
Bengall Agency	3:	22:	0
Fortifications and Repaires	49:	29:	0
Powderman	4:	0:	0
Rutterra	687:	6:	0
Charges Diett	235:	4:	3
Pag: ...	2217:	24:	3

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Mr William Fraser read his warehouse accots for the moneth of November, and storekeepers for the moneths of October and November.

The Attorney Generall reports that in an action entred in the Court of Admiralty against John Haynes and Edmund Mountage the Court has given judgemt: for Pags: 125 payable by each to the Rt: Honble: Company.

Generall lre to the Deputy Governr: &ca: Councill of Fort St David of this date read and approved.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY 20TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVERNR.
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr John Butterfeild requesting that 1443 Mallay fanams which he received at Yorke Fort from the Governour and Councill there, at the rate they were Invoiced thither from hence Vizt Pags: 120: 9 fanams may be made good to him accordingly the same of the last generall letter recd: by the Madapollam. It is ordered that the same be coined into silver fanams Madrasse [&] made good to him Pags: 120: 9 fanams.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Recd a generall letter from fort St David dated the 16th Instant.

The sale of the wine Licence appointed on Wednesday last haveing been deferr'd till this day, and some proposealls made by severall Inhabitants, the President and Councill went this morning to the Sea Gate and put the farme to sale by outcry where the Secretary read the following Paper, And the said Licence was bought by James Coventry for four hundred and five Pags: for one year commencing the first January 169¾. 22.

By the wine Licence is understood Licence for selling by retail all wines Europe Liquors and Punch in Publick houses of Entertainmt.

The farmers of the Licence are to grant Licences to a convenient number of the Inhabitants at reasonable rates as shall be agreed among themselves and to none but such as are approved by the President, whose approbation shall be signified by the Secretaries signing of the Licence, and all such Licences so granted and approved, shall be registred by the Secry for which the receiver of the licence to pay him 18 fanams onely and no more.

If there shall arrise any difference between the farmers and those who receive Licences, the same shall be heard and determined by the Justices of the Choultry who are in judgeing thereof to consider the benifitt & convenience of the farmers and Inhabitants impartially according to reason and equity.

The Dyetting of the Souldiers of the Garrison is left free to the Inhabitants as useall.

Those that recieve Licences for keeping Publick houses, shall observe the following orders which are to be inserted in each licence and the offenders lyable to be punisht by the Justices, by fine or otherwise as the [nature] of the offence requires Vizt.

1. Not to suffer neighbours childrens [or] Servants to frequent or tipple in their [houses] nor any others upon the Sunday in [time] of Divine Service, nor at any other [time] after nine a clock at night.

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[22ND] 2. Not to suffer any unlawfull, [gaines] to be used or plaid at in their houses.

3. Not to suffer drunkennesse quar[relling] or any other disorders to be committed in [their] houses, and if shall happen, they shall acquaint the Justices therewith that the offenders may be punished.

4. Not to trust the Souldiers of ye G[arrison] or common Seamen with Liquors for [above] ten fanams in one moneth, under [penalty] of looseing all trusted above that [sume] & not above 2 pa: for diett in one month ye Comander or officers ordering or [consenting] thereunto for ye Seamen belonging to Europe ships.

5. All those who keep Publick houses are to keep at least two Cotts for Strangers with clean linnen and good accomdacon wholesome diett and liquors, and shall not refuse to entertaine any that [desire] it.

SATURDAY 23.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ninoe the Carpenter and his pa[rtner] Perimaul haveing in July 1692 recd: [. . .] for provision of carriages of which [about] thirty are deliver'd, and about seaven more as they say ready near Armigon they can't bring away wanting money [. . .] is ordered that 200 Pags be Imprest to [. . .] on that accot. They haveing allso two or three hundred Candy of redwood lying ready near Armigon which they are willing to deliver 2 pags ¼ ℔ Candy, Tis ordered that 200 Pags: be advanced to them on accot: it being thought requisite to sell all the redwood wee can.

Memorandum they are to pay the Rt: Honoble: Compa: the useall Custome of 5 ℔ Cent.

Ordered that Pags 150 be advanc't the washermen for cureing the Rt Honble: Compas: Cloth.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

25. A ship appearing yesterday in the evening to the Northward, this morning at 10 A.M. a boat was sent off & brought the master ashoare at five aclock in the afternoon leaving the ship to fetch the road as the wind and Currant will, both which all this day has been southerly, contrary to season. The Ship proves to be the Welfare Thomas Child master from Bengall.

Recd: a letter from Ramdas Turruffdar of Pullimullee under Arsimonaeck require[ing] the delivery of Yegmore, Persiwacca and Triblicane, to Appogee Puntulo for the [use] of Arsimonaieck, to whome he alledges the Nabob has granted them.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Packett from Bengall by ship Welfare was perused containing the Generall letter from the Agent &ca dated 9th December coppyes of two letters from Mr Ayres [&ca] at Dacca dat: 26 and 28 November, and coppy of the

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Sampson's Invoice from [. . .] England. The said Generall letter brings us the sorrowfull news that the Commissary dyed on the last November and gives an acco^t: of the proceedings of ye Interlopers whereunto they have endeavoured to put a stop, but cannot yet succeed, and desire our possitive Orders; But the said Generall letter being short in perticular and there being severall private letters brought on the ship for particular persons. It was thought convenient to send for them to receive their letters and give an acco^t: of their contents, in which was nothing more observable then that the Interlopers do give out, that they have brought wth: them a box containing a Commission from the King &c^a for calling the Comp^s Servants in India to an acco^t: which Commission is not to be opened till a time limitted, and this box is kept aboard ship to be shew'd as people come aboard, that the report thereof may by degrees draw a party to them.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 26.

Present

THE HON^{BLE}: NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOVERN^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

In honour of the memory of the de[ceased] Commissary, It is order'd that Mr Fraser doe provide suiteable mourning for the Pulpit &c^a in the Church, and for the Drum &c^a by Satterday next, on which day Mr Lewis is desired to preach a Sermon in ye afternoon after which four vollies and sixty four great guns to be fired.

Ramdaz haveing written a letter demanding the delivery of Yegmore, Persiwacca and Triblecane for Arsimonague's use, and this day wee are inform'd from the Braminy at Yegmore that an Officer with ten Rashboots are come thither to take possession by tyeing of leaves. It is ordered that a Sergeant with eight Souldiers and six Peons be sent thither to hinder their proceeding, and an answer was written and sent to Ramdas, to let him know that Triblecane was granted to the English at the same time that Chinapatam was, and Yegmore and Persiwacca were lately granted us by the Kings Hoosbull Hookum and Grand Visseers and Nabob's Perwannas & therefore cannot deliver them.

Narculla Ballu an Eminent no[rthern] merchant who brought twenty or thirty Boats of grain last year to this Port, being come to Town requests a Cowl may be granted to him and the other northern Merchants for free liberty for selling their grain as the buyers and sellers shall agree, without limitting the price he has accquainted the President that as he passed thro' Pollicatt the Avaldars officers did solicite and invite him to bring his grain to that Port, and gave him very encourageing promises and a Cowl. It is allso known that Hodgee Mahomod Allee the Avaldar of S^t: Thoma and Pollicatt to draw the northern boats of grain to those Ports, lower'd the Custome in S^t: Thoma to 2½ ℔ Cent, and Pollicatt to 3, and does by letters and promises endeavour to draw the merch^{ts}: to those Ports. It is therefore thought convenient and agreed for the better secureing the Importation of grain that the desired Cowl be granted to the northern Merchants. Coppy of which follows next after this Consultacon.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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[26TH] A COWL GIVEN TO YE NORTHERN MERCHTS

To Worthencrewars, Norecalarwaru, Corallawari Maunjutewaru, Butsuwaru, and all others, you haveing requested to have a Cowl granted to you, that all sellers, and buyers shall have the liberty to sell and buy according as the parties shall agree. It is granted being you are eminent merchants, and fear God Almighty and people that are not unreasonable, upon which consideration I grant you this Cowle you may rely upon it and supply this place with a plentifull quantity of grain, Dated in Fort St George this twenty sixth day of December one thousand six hundred ninety and three.

27. Deliver'd Narculla Ballu the Cowl mentioned in last consultation, and for his encouragemt gave him 3 yards perpetuanoes as useall on such occasions.

Ship Wellfare came this day into the Road haveing been two day's in sight, but the wind being southerly could not gett in.

THURSDAY 28.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINS[ON]: ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that a grant be given to James Coventry of the wine Licence for the ensueing year, commencing the 1st January next in ye forme following this Consultation.

A complaint haveing been made to ye President that John Coventry had made application to the Moor's Government of St Thoma against a Portuguez Inhabitant of that place, Hee was sent for and gave an accot: that hee had a Portuguez owed him mony by bond, and hee had applyed to the Portuguez ovildore for recovery of the money, but they refused to do him justice, whereupon with the privity of the President hee had assign'd the said bond to a moorman, who had apply'd to the Avaldar and secured the Portugueze, the moor's Awaldar requiring proofe of the bond the Assignee had desired Mr Coventry to come and make proofe thereof and the Presidt: do's declare that hee did upon Mr Coventrys request send one to the Ovildore of St Thoma desireing him to doe justice to Mr Coventry to prevent the trouble of the moor's Avaldar, but received a very slight answer, and Mr Coventry has leave to goe as a wittness to the bond, but cautioned not to make application to the Moors government in his own name.

Thomas Ogle late a souldier of this Garrison and discharged, haveing without leave hired a house and lived at ye Mount in a scandalous way with another man's wife, was sent for and ordered to remove and live in the Town, and time given him till five days in the mean time Mr Willm: Ladd engages in his behalfe that he will return on yt day.

Ordered that advice be fort[h]with sent to Surratt of the Commissarys death, and the Interlopers proceedings in Bengall as allso to Fort St David with a Caution against corresponding with them, and that application be made to the Country Government for what relates to this place, and Bengall, so soon as wee can resolve on proper and probable methods, which are to be considered against monday next.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

28. Dispatcht a generall lre to Fort St David of this days date adviseing of the Commissarys death.

29. Dispatcht a generall lre to Surratt of ye date.

31. One Boat and a Country ship arrived from the Coast of Gingerlee belonging to Narculla Ballu laden with grain. The ship anchoring overnight short of the road for his orders, and came this day into the road in persuance of the Cowle lately delivered him.

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Wee the President and Councill of Fort St George doe for and in the behalfe of the Rt: Honble: English East India Company, grant unto James Coventry the farme of the wine licence commencing the first of January 169¾ and ending the last of December 1694 under ye provisoes of said Orders hereunto annexed hee paying for the same the sume of four hundred and five Pags Vizt one halfe on or before the last day of June next ensueing the date hereof, and the other halfe on or before the last day of December 1694, given under our hands and the seale of the Rt: Honble: Company in fort St George ye thirtieth day of December Anno Domo one thousand six hundred ninety and three. Grant of the wine Licence for one year.

NATLL: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.

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ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY JANRY 1st.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Stone paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 61 : 2 fanams being the produce of 86 Dollers delivered him the 12th past poiz ozs 75 : dwt 3.

Orderd that Pags 887 : 20 : 4 be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Provll: Paymr to defray charges Garrison.

Ditto Wright read his Paymasters accot for the month of November last ℘ticulars Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pa 860 : 30 :
Charge Generall	320 : 30 :
Charges Merchandize	102 : 27 :
Charges Cattle	11 : 15 :
Bengall Agency	3 : 22 :
Fortification & repairs	28 : 21 :
Charges Dyett	253 : 24 :
Factors provisions	31 : 19 :
Accot : Shipping	388 : 17 :
	Pags 2 : 25 :

Mr Matt : Empson Provll: Sea Customer paid into the Rt: Honble : Comps: Cash Pags 500 on accot: sea Customes. Judge Dolben haveing treated with us for buying 300 Candy of lead it is agreed to sell the said quantity to him at the rate of 11 Pags : ℔ Candy ready money. The reasons of abateing the former agreed price are, there is a large quantity, and wee want ready money, and know there is allready more in Bengall yn: that markett will probably take off, and may reasonably expect more by the next ships from Europe, however wee have reserved about 50 Candy for Garrison Stores.

Mr Matt : Mildmay appointed to receive the produce of the outcry of Allia Vandee's Estate paid into the Rt : Honble : Comps : Cash Pags 326 : 18 : 4 being cash found in his house.

By the foregoeing buissnese and ye formalitie of New years day being interrupted in debateing concerning our case with the Countrey Governt wee came to noe further resolve thereon, then to call together two or three of the principle Armenians, the Cheif Dubash Mulla &ca Braminy, and the two Cheif Merchants and receive their opinions and advice on Thursday next.

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Haveing no Broad cloth proper to tasheriff the Merchants &ca as accustomary on New Years day, It is defer'd till a supply come, and then agreed to be done.

John Batchelor entred a souldier in this Garrison from this day.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

1. Recd : a Generall lr̃e from Fort St. David dat : 28 past, adviseing the rect : of 99 oz. 8 dwt. of fanam gold sent the 14 last past by Peons overland, and that the Madapollam is in a readinesse to saile upon Order.

Ship Northampton Richard Phrip Master arrived from the West coast upon whome came as Passengers Capt : Robert Turlington, Mr Charles Ryley and Thomas Lane.

By ditto ship recd : the following lr̃es &c : Papers Vizt. Duplicate of a Generall letter ℘ Ship Madapollam dated Septr 8th 1693, Genll ℘ Ship Satisfaction of ditto date Generall ℘ Ship Northampton without date Genll : from Mr. Fleetwood dat : 14th October last, Genll : from Mr Willson dat : 7th ditto, letter from Mr Fleetwood to the President with a paper concerning Mr Ryley, Coppy of Capt Turlington &cas attestac̃on concerning Ship satisfaction. Coppy of Capt Phrip &cas Certificate concerning ditto Ship. Coppy of Mr Fleetwood's order for delivering Capt Phrip sixtey Baharr of Pepper out of the Comps godowne with Mr Willsons exceptions thereunto Coppy of Mr Willsons Protest against Mr Fleetwood. Coppy of Mr Phrips letter to Mr Fleetwood, dat : 2d October last, wherein hee promises to deliver the aforementioned pepper at Fort St George for the Rt : Honble : Comps : accot : if demanded, they paying freight and all other charges said lr̃es allso advise that Ship Satisfaction saild from thence the 12th September last, and came back again the 7th October not being able to endure the sea her sails rigging and Hull being so rotten.

THURSDAY 4.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT AND GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matthew Empson Provisionall Sea Customer, read his accot : Sea Customes for the moneths of September and October last perticulars Vizt.

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
Septembr Accot Custome of goods Imported and Exported ys month ...	832	1	4
Ditto of Grain as ℘ accot : ...	143	3	3
Anchorage ...	52	0	0
Tonnage ...	30	32	0
Pags :	1058	1	1

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
October Accot Custome of goods Imported and Exported this moneth ...	797	33	4
Ditto of Grain as ℘ accot ...	165	16	0
Anchorage ...	13	18	0
Tonnage ...	13	32	0
Pags ...	990	27	4

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Robert Turlington late master of ship Satisfaction delivers an acco^t^: of wages due to the Ships Company. Signed and allowed by Mr Charles Fleetwood and Mr Samuell Willson which the balance due is Ryalls 2714 : 1 : 1 : ye 5th September last, and an acco^t^: of wages since amo^t^ to Pag^s^ 140 which the Pay Master is ordered to examine and report, reduceing the acco^t^: from dollars to Pag^s^ at the rate of 17 dollers for 10 Pag^s^. The stores factors Provisions &c^a^ for ye use of the Garrison, Generall Table, Shipping issued out by the Godowne Keeper and Storekeeper haveing been allway's used to be entred in their acco^ts^: monethly expended without any rates, or valuation, and when the same came to be entred in the Generall books one month or one year afterwards, the Bookeeper sets a valuation upon them by guesse, by which means there have been many great mistakes in the acco^ts^: of charges, to prevent which for the future, and to ease the Bookeeper, It is ordered that the godowne Keep^r^ and Store Keep^r^ do receive of the Paymaster Steward &c^a^ the value of all stores &c^a^ issued out for any sort of expence or for the use of shipping, in the same manner, and near the same rate as if sold.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Received a letter from Johannes Plotvleit Phisician to Prince Arrum Tarras. 4.

Rec^d^: a Generall letter from Vizagapatam dated 13th December last &c^a^ according to list entred in ye Coppy booke of letters. The said Generall allsoe advises of a chest cast ashoare and carried to ye Seir Lasscarr and by him opened, and by Mr Sherrer. Advice sent to Vizagapatam factory as belonging to the English, when it is known to belong to ye Dutch by the Letters. By the said generall allso Mr Holcomb excuses his comeing hither in order to goeing to the West coast by reason of indisposition. The Town Conicoplies and Cheif Inhabitant of Yegmore, Persiwacca and Tandore came to make their salam to the President and presented him with a Patch of cloth & brought sheep, fowles, Coconutts with a [baskett of] Oranges, Limes and Plantanes, [which were] delivered to the Steward for the use of [the table] and made their acknowledgem^ts^ of the Great satisfaction and security they enjoyed [under] our Goverment. 5.

The President sent for Mr Ryley & [. . .] of him the Pursers acco^t^: at Bencoolen to the examining of Mr Willsons and But [. . .] objections against them, hee answers that Coppies of them, but delivered them to the [. . .] and Councill att Yorke Fort, which not being remitted from thence the President ordered coppy of said objection to be delivered him and required his speedy answer to each perticular.

Ship Prospect Robert Shipman master arrivd from Bengall, left Calcutta the 20 [December] the Agent being sick bid the master acq[uaint] the President he could not write now, but would write largely by the Samuel [which] was ready to be dispatched in few dayes, pri[vate] letters doe advise that the Charles the Second and Sampson were both fallen down into Ballasore Road allmost Laden, and will saile together for England, the Master relates that as he [came] down the River he mett with four large Dutch ships from 50 to 70 Gunns lyeing at Anchor at Cookolee point with 4 Buoyers and 4 [Long] Boats arm'd, that he was commanded abo[ard] the Admirall and examined whether he had saltpetre aboard his Vessell belonging to any other then the English, but he proveing to [them] that he was Laden with provisions they [dismist] him, but in discourse the Admirall decla[red to] him that their orders and resolutions [was not] to suffer any saltpetre to goe out of Bengall, except what was carried out by the English and allso to take the two French ships which lye full laden at Hog river ready to saile, [and as] they will not come down the river, the Dutch [ships] must goe up and take or destroy them there, [soe] soon as four 6.

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other ships shall joine them, whome the Master saw in Ballasore road. The master produceing his private letters [there] was a large sealed Packett among them [directed] to himselfe, the President asked what it was he answered nothing but some small conc[erns] of his own, but the President urgeing to him that it seemed by the fashion to contain letters hee at last said he could not tell what it was but when he was at Calcutta, he rec[d] it from one at Hughly with a note desireing him when he came to Madrass to deliver those lr̃s as directed. The President desireing him to open the Packet and he refuseing, deliverd it to the secretary to be kept for the consideration of the Councill.

6. Ship Kathern arrived from Vizagapatam Laden with graine, Oyle &c[a].

Rec[d]: a letter from Avaldar de Willee dat: 5th Nov[r].

7. Att noone arrived a small Vessell called [the] John and Betty, the Master Andrew Clais a Dutchman who giveing a very imperfect and incoherent acco[t]: that the Vessell belongs to M[r] Delton at Acheen, and being bound from Tennasserree towards Junck Ceilone was driven by Easterly winds to this place, and contradicting himselfe in other things, and endeavouring afterwards to gett of by a Cattemarran, the President and Councill Ordered three of the Gunnroom Crew and two souldiers in y[e] evening to goe aboard and secure the Vessell till tomorrow in order to a further examination and in the meantime the master Lodg'd in the fort.

MONDAY 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON[BLE]: NATH[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] AND GOVERN[R]
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

M[r] John Focquett Rentall Generall paid into the R[t] Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Pag[s] three hundred and ten in Pag[s] and Silver fanams on acco[t]: Quitt-Rents.

Ordered that Pag[s]: three hundred and ten be paid M[r] Thomas Wright Prov[ll]: Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Ordered that John de Rosario and Gasper de Rosario be entertain'd as Souldiers in y[e] Garrison, at the useall pay of Portugueze from this day.

Robert Shipman bringing with him M[r] Richard Trenchfeild yesterday to y[e] President they opened the Packet of private letters before him, which being directed to y[e] late President Yale, M[r] John Pitt, M[r] William [Fraser] M[r] Richard Trenchfeild, M[r] Alvaro da [Fouseca] &c[a] and haveing been conveighed with soe much care and privacy, and the direct[ion] of some of them seeming to bee the hand [of M[r]] ffrancis Willcox, and the letter directed [to M[r]] Trenchfield from his brother Evans Con[taining] some informations concerning the state of the Company in England, and the proceed[ings] of the Interlopers in Bengall, the Pres[ident], found reason to suspect that these letters doe contain the correspondence of the Interlop[ers with] the Comp[s]: servants and Inhabitants of [the place] and therefore desired M[r] Trenchfeild to seal them all up again in a Pacquet which is now [produced] and haveing had good information that M[r] Pitt &c[a] have in Bengall used many indirect means to draw a party to themselves, [and] corrupt the R[t] Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: servants from [their] duty giveing out scandalous reports of the R[t] Hon[ble] Company, and makeing great boasts of themselves as being sent out by the Kings Parliament to over hall all the affairs of [India] and make report in England in order to [the] settlement of a new Company (of all which we have no advice, and therefore no reason to [be]lieve it) and have allso struck in with the Countrey Government to drive a trade sepe[rate] from and in Competition with the Companys underhand buying goods of the Merch[ts]: which were before contracted for by the Companys servants, by which means the prices of gold are advanced, and the Comp[s] servants and the Interlopers multiply their presents to the

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Government for getting of goods, which practice tends to the ruein of the English trade there, and if the Interloper shall by their correspondence or Agents in these parts introduce the same practice, it would be no lesse injury to the English trade here, and therefore wee doe thinke ourselves obliged to doe all that in us lyes to prevent such a publick mischeif, and esteem it necessary that wee understand the contents of all the letters contain'd in that packet, before they are delivered to the parties, in order to which they to whome they are directed to be sent for, and if any refuse to open and shew their letters, to keep such letters sealed for further consideration. Mr Trenchfeild being sent for and the packet opened was found to contain the following letters Vizt to Mr Richard Trenchfeild, Mr George Lewis, Mr Thomas Yale, Mr John Haynes, Mr Daniel Chardine, Mrs Brown, the honble Elihu Yale, Mr Richard Elliott, Mr Alvarez da Fonseca, Mr William Proby, Elihu Yale Esqr, Mr Will: Proby in East India, Mr John Pitt, Mr John Butterfeild in East India, and Mr Trenchfeild, Mr Chardine, Mr Alvarez da Fonseca Mr Proby and Mr Pitt being all sent for, one after another & acquainted that there was just reason to suspect that the letters in that Packett did probably come from the Interlopers, and might contain such matters [as] were not fitt to publish, and therefore wee did thinke fitt that the Presidents should peruse [them before they were delivered to them, but] they all refused to consent to it, and thereupon they were alltogether made up in one Packett with those two directed to the late Presidt Yale and one to Mr John Haynes, and sealed with the Comps seale, and delivered to the Secretary, the rest Vizt one directed to Mr Lewis, one to Mrs Brown, and one to Mr Proby from his younger bro: Charles in England were sent and delivered to them, as being supposed to be of little Import, but Mr Elliot, haveing consented to the opening of his letter, it proves to be from Mr Francis Willcox dated in Hughly the 10th December last, wherein he avers that the private ship Seamour is consign'd to Thomas Pitt, Allen Catchpole and himselfe, that they came out by order of the King and Councill, and have a letter of Mart to [wear] the Kings Coulors, and that ye East India Company is a dismantled Company for not complying with 5 ℘ Cent asses'd upon their stock by which means the trade now lyes wholey open, and fears the Comps ships are stop't by a genell: Embargoe the consideration of these letters is referr'd to another time, and hath also deferr'd our debate upon other matters now intended.

The Master and Passenger of sloop John & Betty haveing been examined by the Mayor who finds reason to believe the masters relation, and takes care of the vessell for the owners accot, the Master was discharged and the men sent aboard to secure the vessell brought ashoare.

NAT: HIGGINSON
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Gave a pass to Boat Haunomonta, Pauapa Owner. 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION TUESDAY 9.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON, ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNOR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

There being many uncertain reports and opinions among the Moormen Inhabiting or travelling here, as well as our black servants concerning Assid Cawn, and Zulphaker Cawn, it is thought necessary to understand the truth of their being in or out of favour, and Cojee Gregorie haveing an acquaintaince wth: Issa Cooley an Armenian merchant resident at the Mogulls Court, doth undertake to write to him and in 30 or 40 dayes time receive an answer, as well to that particular as what

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ellse has come to his knowledge at Court relateing to the English at Surratt & Bengall. The Merchants being sent for and discoursed about the present Investment. It do's appear that of 17000 Pag[s] Impressed to them, they have brought in to the value of about 10500 Pag[s] besides about 2000 Pag[s] in Cloth, which as they say is delivered at Fort S[t] David, and they want more money to carry on the buisnesse, But wee haveing none for them, urg'd them to make use of their own stocke or creditt till a ship arrives with stocke.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

10. Rec[d]: a generall lr̃e from Fort S[t] David dat: 6 Instant Dispatch't a Generall Lr̃e to Fort S[t] David of y[t] date

THURSDAY 11.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] & GOVERN[R]
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

Provll Land Customr read his acct for ye Month December

M[r] Mildmay Prov[ll]: Land Customer paid into the R[t] Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Pag[s]: 317 [and] read his acc[t] Land Custome for the month of December last perticulars viz[t]:

	Pa	fa	ca.
Land Custome	...	35	8
Choultry Custome	84	19	50
Rubie Broakers	7	13	40
Cloth Broakers	34	11	50
Tobacco Renters	133	12	0
Beetle Leafe Renters	41	24	0
Confiscations	1	12	50
Fines	12	18	0
Town Conicoplies Custome	2	9	54
Pag[s]	318	12	12

Presidt read his acct Cash.

The President read his acco[t]: of the R[t] Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash for the moneth of December y[e] Balance being Pag[s] 1127: 16: 4.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

FRIDAY 12TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESIDENT & GOV[R]
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

The Paymaster haveing examined the acco[t]: of the wages of ship Satisfaction in her late Voyage to Yorke Fort, reports the same to amo[t] to Pag[s]: [ ] 099: 30. form the 5th January 169½ when the Imprest money paid them here ended, to 17th Octob[r] 1693, the time of delivery of the ship to M[r] Fleetwood att Yorke Fort, as appears by the receipt signed by Charles Fleetwood and now

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produced, besides which is an acco^{t} of Debts paid by Robert Turlington amo^{t} : to Pag^{s} 75 approved by Mr Fleetwood &c^{a}, the whole amo^{t} to Pag^{s} 2174 : 30 of which hath been paid by Mr Fleetwood &c^{a} as advised by their Generall letters, and appears by an acco^{t} : delivered the master in Dollars stores and Pepper [1290 : 3] rated at 17 dollars ℔ 10 Pag^{s} is Pag^{s} 758 : 29 and the Balance due is Pag^{s} 1416 : 1 which the Paymaster is Ordered to pay, but to reserve in his hands the wages of 14 men left at the West Coast till they come themselves or send their orders for payment.

Ordered that one thousand Pag^{s} : be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Prov^{ll} : Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Mr William Fraser warehouskeeper p^{d} into the R^{t} Honble Comp^{s} : Cash Pag^{s} 1000 acco^{t} goods sold.

Haveing considered of the Pacquett of Letters mentioned in the Consultation of ye 8th Ins^{t} : It is resolved to send for each of the persons one after another, and deliver them the letters, to be opened before us, and they promissing to shew us all the contents thereof, which any wayes relates to the R^{t} Honble: Comp^{s} : affairs, or the Interlopers, and the Secretary to take an attested Copy thereof in their presence, and if cause appears to suspect they doe not deale sincerely, to take back the Letter and peruse it, But if any person do's refuse to give a copy, that the letter be opened and perused by ourselves.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Gave passes to the following Boats Viz^{t} Narsunda Bauwanne, Vincataputty Sudallee, Goopall and Haunomanto. 13.

Noe Consultation the President being indisposed. 15.

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 16TH.

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} : HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOVERN^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Upon peruseall of the Generall letter from Vizagapatam dated the 13th December. It is resolved.

As to the chest sent them by the Seir Lascarr by Mr Sherrers meanes who knew it did belong to the Dutch and hath brought upon the factory a necessity either of disobligeing the Seir Lascarr or dealing unhandsomly wth : the Dutch in concealing a chest belonging to them. It is resolved to forbeare sending them any Orders concerning it, till they shall send us an acco^{t} : of what has past between the Seir Lascarr and them concerning said chest when he came to Vissit the factory and Mr Sherrer be ordered to repaire hither by the first oppertunity.

Secondly their cheif and Councill adviseing that their Merchants had brought in more cloth then the amount of the money delivered them, they are ordered to suspend receiving any more till they receive a suply.

Thirdly that a Pass be sent them for ye Seir Lascarrs ship as desired.

Fourthly that the Cheif Mr Holcombe by the first oppertunity repaire hither, in order to his proceeding to the West Coast in persuance of the Commissary Generall President and Councills resolves in Consultation dated the 6 and 8 February last, and Mr Holcombes promise to the Commissary under his hand.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Generall to Vizagapatam dat : 16th Instant sign'd and sent by ship Katherine enclosed was a pass for y^{e} Seir Lascarr.

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Received a letter from the Naigue of Maudera Countrey, lyeing between Negapatam and Tutecorree, and from the cheif minister of that state by a Braminy, inviteing the Rt: Honble: Company to a settlement at Coile &ca the State Governed by the Grandmother in the minority of the Prince. Recd a letter from Tuttula Cawn a Commander of one thousand horse in Zulphaker Cawn's Army, desireing leave to send his familly to reside in Madrasse.

17 Ship Samuel haveing overshot this Port last night and the wind being contrary came to an anchor to the southward of St Thoma, and in the evening Mr Walsh and Mr Pearson (who tooke their passage on said ship from Bengall) came ashoare and brought the Packett from the Agent &ca Councill, and from the Cheif & Councill of Vizagapatam which being opened were found to contain the following papers vizt Generall from the Agent &ca dated the 23d Decembr last Coppy of their Generall dated the 9th ditto, Bill of Lading and Invoice of ship Samuel. Mr Eyres answer concerning Mr Watt's Debt to ye Rt: Honble: Company. Coppy of Demooda & Debidash attestations relating to Mr Haynes Durbar expences. Coppy of entryes relateing to the adjustment of accots: with Fort St. George in the yeare 1690, accot what Mr Haynes recd from Abdoll Gunney and Mutree on accot oppre[ssion] and wrong dat: the 8th of July 1689. Allso a packett Directed to the Commissary Generall return'd containing a Generall to Ditto dated the 9th December last, and a Copy of a Generall dated the 10th November last &ca papers according to list inclosed in said packett. The Packett from Vizagapatam contain'd vizt. a Generall dat: 11th Inst and coppies of their Consultations for the months of November and December last past, allso [ ] the Duplicates (sent to remaine there) of our Genll letters to the Commissary Generall dat: 10th Novembr and 9th December, with all the papers according to the List enclosed.

The following Order was sign'd by the President and Councill and sent off by Cattamaran to Capt Freke Vizt.

To Capt William Freke.

Commandr of Ship Samuel coming into this road.

Wee hereby require you to cause all letters brought upon your ship from Bengall for this place either by yourselfe ships Company or Passengers to be brought ashoare & delivered to us, or our Secretary, and none to [be] deliver'd or sent to any other person without our leave Dated in Fort St George this 17th day of January 169$\frac{3}{4}$.

Nathaniel Higginson.
John Dolben.
William Fraser.

To The Honble Nathll Higginson Esqr President &ca Councill.

May it Please Your Honr &ca.

This evening by Cattamaran I received your Orders about lr̃es brought from Bengall on Ship Samuel, I doe hereby assure you that all letters brought from thence by myselfe, or what other I can meet with that any of my people have brought shall be delivered to your Honr &ca. I am

On Board Ship Samuel. Yor Honrs &cas most Humble Servant
The 27th January 169$\frac{3}{4}$. Will: Freke.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 18.

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINS[ON] ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOVERN^R^
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^ JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Invoice from Bengall by Ship Samuel being compared with the Vizagapatam Generall the following note is made.

	Laden in Bengall on Ship Samuel.	Taken ashoar at Vizagapatam.	Remg: a board Ship Samuel.
Rice bags	400	306	94
Wheat	271	198	73
Bout	108	68	40
Butter Jarrs	66	64	2
Oyle	53	53	0
Arrac Butts	9	2	7

The Vizagapatam Generall adviseing that they intend to dispose of the Rice there, and reserve one Butt of Arrac for their own use and the rest of the goods they will send by the first oppertunity hither. It is ordered that Bengall Agency have Creditt for the whole amount of the Invoice Vizagapatam Debted for all deliv^d^: there, and creditted againe for such part as shall be remitted hither, and because there is an acco^t^: freight to be brought into our bookes Vizagapatam factory is to give us credit for the proffitt of the rice sold there, and the Arrac charged at nine fanams a Gallon.

Mr William Fraser paid into the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: Cash Pag^s^: 1200 on acco^t^: goods sold and Pag^s^: 27 : 10 : 3 on acco^t^ : freight.

Capt. William Freke comeing ashore from his ship detained in the offing by contrary winds brings us noe other letter from the Agent & Councill of Bengall, then what was brought ashoare yesterday by Mr Walsh, which makes no mention of any agreement made by them or the Commissary Generall with Capt Freke concerning ship Samuel being received into the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: service or the Termes, nor have wee received from Bengall any of the Commissary Generalls papers. Ordered that an answer be written to the Naigue of Moodera Countrey not accepting nor denying the offer of a settlem^t^ but desireing to have their Termes particularly.

Timapah and Allingall haveing by meanes of Mahomed Arreiff procured Zulphaker Cawns Perwanna, to them in their own names for carrying on their trade in the Carnatta Countrey severall months past without acquainting the President therewith till it was done, upon examination of the matter, Narrain the Cheif Dubash has constantly deny'd to be acquainted therewith, and Timapah & Allingall doe own to have procured it by the consent and att the charge of the merchants, but they being reprehended for procureing Perwannas from the Countrey Government without our Knowledge, and in their own names without mentioning themselves to be the Comp^ns^ Merchants. They have agreed & undertaken to gett it changed accordingly, and produced a Translate of their letter to Mahomed Arreiffe in order thereunto.

The consideration whereof is referrd till tomorrow morning, when the merchants are ordered to attend.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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FRIDAY 19TH. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Merchants being sent for, were upon further consideration of the Perwanna obtained by them from Zulphaker Cawn, ordered to send forward y^r letter to Mahomed Arreffe in order to gett it altered that it may run to Timapah and Allingall the merchants of the English Comp^a at Madrass and Tegnapatam, for the free passing of their goods according to Sallabad, which may be allso of use at Tegnapatam as occasion may require.

Generall to Bengall dated 17th and 18th Inst^t: read and approved, in answer to their Generall letters of the 9th and 23rd past to be sent by ship Welfare, and Duplicates overland.

Allso a letter to the Naigue of Mouderah, and Narsapa the cheif Minister and another to ffettulee Cawn giveing him leave to send his familly hither from the Camp.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
J^o: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

20. Generall lre to Bengall dat: 17th & 18th Inst: signed and sent ℘ Ship Welfare allso a Generall to the R^t: Honble: Comp^a: dated this day under a cover to Capt Dorrell or Capt Brown.

21. In the evening Capt: Freke delivered the President [. . .] copy whereof followes.

The Protest of William Freke Command^r of ship Samuell in behalfe of the Owners of said ship and himselfe against the R^t: Honble: English East India Company and their Honble: President Nathaniel Higginson Esqr &c^a Councill of Fort St George.

Whereas the owners of ship Samuel and myselfe did enter into a covenant of Charterparty with the R^t: Honble: the Governour Deputy &c^a Committee for the R^t: Honble: English East India Company in & about the month of November in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred ninety one, the agreement was that the said ship should be imployed in India by the R^t: Honble: Comp^s Presidents, Agents or Cheifs, no longer whether Laden or not Laden then the twentieth of January in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred ninety three four, but then to sett saile by agreement of Charterparty, and make the best of our way for England haveing the 21st of December past given the Agent and Councill of Cullcutta advise y^t on this present 20th of January the ship Samuells limitted time of stay in India would be expired. Wherefore I William Freke Master of said ship Samuel doe in the behalfe of my owners & selfe Protest against the R^t: Honble: English East India Company, the Honble Nathaniel Higginson Esqr their President & Governour &c^a Councill of Fort St George, for not dispatching me with the said ship Samuell according to the time limitted and agreed to in the Charterparty, by the Honble: Govern^r Deputy and Committees for the Honble East India Company on the one part and the owners of ship Samuell and myselfe on the other part, therefore what damage or damages may happen by the Honble Nathaniel Higginson Esqr President &c^a Councill not complying with the said agreement of Charterparty, to ly wholey on the said Honble: President &c^a Councill in behalfe of their Imployers the R^t: Honble: East India Company dated in Fort St George this twentieth of January one thousand six hundred ninety three four.

P^R: ME WILLIAM FREKE.

Yesterday in the evening ship Welfare sailed for Bengall and ship Katherine for Vizagapatam.

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ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 22.

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Capt Freke haveing delivered the President a Protest on the 20th Instant for not haveing dispatch'd the ship Samuel, the time of her Charterparty being then expired, It is considered.

1. That said ship was entertained by the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: into their service doeth appear by their Generall letter to Fort S^{t}. George dated 22nd January 169$\frac{1}{2}$. Paragraph the 18th and 23rd.

2. Wee have not received the Charterparty Bill of Lading or Invoice, nor coppies of either, by the said ship nor any other.

3. It is taken for granted that the generall termes of the Charterparty, are the same with other Charterparties, But if there were any speciall termes, the same cannot be known to us but by the Captains Declaration.

4. Ship Samuel at her arrivall here, which was the 29th of Aprill 1693 was disabled for Charterparty service, by the want of Gunns, Rigging, and men, (discharged by Captn Freke himselfe att Tringombar, whome he refused to take aboard when offered here), and by his request and obligation of the 11th July he desires to goe with her into Bengall to compleat the fitting victualling and manning her that she may be made capable to enter the service of the Honble the Governour and Company of merchants of London tradeing to East India according to covenant charterparty which charterparty he ownes to be in force on the part of the owners and desires the Commissary &c^{a} to own it to be so on the part of the Company, and that the Agent &c^{a} in Bengall may have orders to receive her into service when she shall upon surveigh appear fitted victualled and man'd, and oblidges himselfe to performe charterparty on the owners part and acquaints that the time limitted by Charterparty is the 20th January 1693–4.

5. Upon Capt: Frekes foregoeing request an Order of Consultation passed the 24th July that Capt Freke may if he pleases goe with his ship Samuell to Bengall, and when he hath so fitted his ship that the Agent and Councill there have satisfaction that shee is fitt for the service of the R^{t} Honble Company, they are to receive her into the said service and employ her accordingly. The Ship Samuel thereupon proceeded to Bengall.

6. The Agent and Councill were accordingly advised by Generall letter and in Novem^{br} last the Commissary Generall Ordered a surveigh to be taken of the Ship &c^{a} by John Hampton &c^{a}.

7. There is noe acco^{t}: of the report of the said surveigh nor any other advice concerning her from the Agent and Councill, but they Laden the Ship with the R^{t} Honble: Comp^{s}: goods consigned to Vizagapatam to take in more, and to this place as a Charterparty Ship, and the goods are not Laden on freight as may appear by Bill of Lading and Invoice.

8. On the 21st Instant Ship Samuel arrived here in the road. But on the day pr[e]ceeding while the ship was at anchor in the offing, Capt Freke delivers a Protest against the Company Presid^{t} & Councill for not dispatching his Ship on that day being the terme of his Charterparty time.

Resolved that the following be sent to Capt: Freke.

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To Capt William Freke.
Commander of Ship Samuel.

Being very desirous to have any understanding with you in all things relateing to Ship Samuell, and to hasten her dispatch, understanding you are indisposed and cannot come to us, Wee have for gain [. . .] sent you this Paper desireing you to send a [. . .] speedy answer to the following perticulars.

In what manner is your ship stowed [. . .] may accordingly direct the unladeing of [w . . .] bee unladen here.

How many Tons is your Ship lett for by [. . .] What are the speciall covenants in you [. . .] different from the useall covenants to pr [. . .] of Charterparty on either part so far as by [. . .].

Lett us see your sailing orders which [you got] from the Agent and Councill of Bengall [. . .] report of the surveigh of your ship they haveing sent us authentick coppies of which paper being signed and sent he sent us the Bengall sailing orders wi[th the] following answer to our paper Vizt.

To the Honble Nathll Higginson Esqr
President and Governour &ca Councill.

May it please your honrs &ca.

As to your first demand how the ship is stowed the [. . .] stowed below the Bales that were taken [. . .] Vizagapatam, upon the Petre from them [. . .] forewards, the provision &ca taken in either upon the Petre from the main mast a [. . .]. As to the second and third demand [. . .] Lett to the Honble: Company for one hundred Tons, but that was in a manner [. . .] could have laden a great par [. . .] without giveing any [. . .] not cheat the Honble [. . .] Company was obliged to lade or pay dead freight home.

Fourthly I have herewith sent your Honr &ca Councill my dispatch from Calcutta, but as to the surveigh I never allowed of any, thô I did not hinder it so I never troubled my head about the coppy I am.

Fort St. George 22nd Janry 169$\frac{3}{4}$, Yor Honrs: &ca most humble Servt

William Freke.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to unlade all the Bengall provisions from Ship Samuel, and one of each sort of the Vizagapatam Bales to be examined by their musters, with one Bale excepted by the Bill of Ladeing as to the marke [*lacuna in the original*] and 509 Baggs of Salt Petree, haveing noe advice from Bengall of more to be expected this year, which will be necessary for the kentilladge of the next small ship for England. As to our query concerning speciall Termes of Charterparty Capt: Freke does not own any, and as to ye surveigh of his ship hee sais hee never did allow of any, therefore tis to be feared the Agent and Councill of Bengall have not come to agreement of termes with him, but have laded the Rt: Honble: Companyes goods on her to come hither, and have left it to us to agree all things, whereas wee have no advice of what has passed there, and the Ship did not arrive in the road till the day after ye time mentioned in Charterparty was expired, on wch: the Capt: doth peremtorily insist, haveing declared to the President at the time of delivering his Protest, that his time being out he would not goe to ye West Coast. [. . .] dispatch't him thither as soone as hee [. . .] his steer Course for [. . .].

To Capt: William Freke
Commandr of Ship Samuel.

Wee haveing Laden Merchandise on board your Ship as we [think] convenient, doe hereby order you imediately [upon] receipt hereof to weigh

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anchor and sett s[aile] for your more speedy obtaining ffort St. George where when it shall please God you arrive [you] are to follow such orders as you shall rec[eive] from time to time of the Honble: President and Councill and your further orders are to [touch] on the way at Vizagapatam, where you [are to] take such goods aboard as Mr Simon Hol[combe] &ca shall send you and in such case to deliver them what grain they shall thinke conve[nient] to make your ship capable of performance [as] occasion may require [so wishing you a prosperous] voyage Wee date these in [Chuttanuttee the 23rd] of December 1693.

(Signed) Francis Ellis.
Robert Dorrell.
John Beard.

Gave passes to the following [. . .] Kisnaumaw, Jagge [. . .] Lacksheewme and she [. . .]

Att a Consultation : Thursday 25.

Present

The Honble Nathll Higginson Esqr Presidt & Goverr
John Dolben Esqr Judge Advocate
Mr William Fraser.

The Pacquet of the Interlopers Letters from Bengall haveing been at Sundry times since the sixth Instant opened by the parties to whome directed, and Coppies thereof taken by the Secretary they are Vizt.

From Francis Willcox to Elihu Yale Esqr Attested by public Notary.
To Mr William Proby.
To Mr Alvarez da Fonseca.
To Mr Richd: Elliot an Originall.

From Thomas Pitt to Elihu Yale Esqr Attested by public Notary.
To Mr John Pitt.
From John Evans.
To Mr Richd: Trenchfeild.
To Mr Daniel Chardine.

[Besides] which are enclosed in the letter from Capt: Thomas Pitt to the late President Yale three paprs [Vizt.]

Copy of his letter to ye Commissary in Bengll: dated the 22d October 1693.

Copy of the Commissary Generalls answer to ditto dated 1 November.

Copy of Do Pitts Protest against the Commissary dated 9th November,

[Also] in the letter from Mr Wilcox to Mr Alvarez da Fonseca was inclosed one from Mr Alphonso [Rodriguez] in London to ditto Alvarez giveing accot: of the state of the Rt Honble Company and their ships designed for India, whereby it does appear to us that the relations sent hither by ye Interlopers from Bengall are falce and forged and therefore wee cannot but Judge that they have maliciously contrived them with a design to doe all the mischeif they can here, by drawing ye Rt: Honble: Compas servants and the Inhabitants of the place into a faction against the Govermt and it is ordered that these papers be sent home to the Rt Honble Company by Ship Samuel.

Ordered that Pags: 752 be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Provll: Paymaster for charges Garrison.

Mr Edward Tredcroft Register of the Court of Admiralty paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags 100, accot: Court fees.

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Mr Hamon Gibbons haveing been formerly ordered in Consultation to draw up and deliver a narrative of the reason and manner of his leaving Indapoora factory, brought ye President a short paper, which being nothing satisfactory, was ordered to make a more full and particular [report] which hee often promised but haveing as often failed, was now sent for and promises to deliver it in two days. Hee was allso ordered forthwth to proceed upon the drawing of the accots: of Indapoora factory into Generall Bookes, there haveing been none made from the time of his goeing thither, and the President haveing examined all the accots: of Cash Warehouse and expences which are here, does report that there are many Errors and false charges therein, which ought to be stated in Generall Bookes. Mr Butterfield is therefore ordered to assist Mr Gibbons in that buisiness till it is done. William Townsend Trumpetter of Ship Samuel haveing requested that his servant William who run from the ship from Point de Gall, and is now a souldier in fort St David, may be sent hither, and be delivered to his Master who is under bond in England for his returne, It is ordered that the next generall letter to Fort St David, doe order them to send him hither, at the said William Townsends Charges.

Letters to Assid Cawn, Zulphaker Cawn, Wottimuhud, and Emaun Cooley read and approved. The former to be sent to Assid Cawn by a Braminy who may bring an answer, and give us a true accot: how things stand with him.

Allso generall letters to Vizagapatam and Bengall dated the 23rd and 24th wth: Duplicates of the Generall letters dated 16th ℘ Ship Welfare and a Generall letter to Surratt, incloseing duplicates of our Generall letters to the Rt: Honble: Company dated 20th September 23 and [*lacuna in the original.*] Inst: all signed and sent by Peons.

Complaints haveing been made frequently of the Brokers abuse of strangers, It is ordered that the following paper be Translated into Persian, [*pages* 189 *to* 192 *missing.*]

[Jan: 25th 1693–4.

The farme of Beetle leave (which expired on the 15th Instant) haveing been at severall times considered and discoursed, there appear'd many objections against it, which were referred to the consideration of the Commissary Generall, But being necessitated now to come to a resolve the arguments are considered:

1. That farming is of the nature of a Monopoly.
2. That Licencing of an indifferent number of shops at a sett rate would be more beneficiall.
3. That it gives a great occasion of complaint among the Inhabitants of the place.
4. That the Country Government take notice thereof and make use of that as a President for imposing unusuall Junkans in goods going in and out of Town and will allso call us to an account for the great increase of the Revenue, which by this means is much discoursed in the Nabobs Durbar and may occasion the increase of town rent if a Phirmaund should be obtained.

The two first objections are generall against all farming as much as this, whereas the way of farming has been approved and recommended by the Rt Honble Company, and by experience it has been hitherto found that when particular licences were in the hands of the Company [they] never yielded near so much as when farmed, besides the charge of Conicoplies, Peons, &ca.

The complaints of the Inhabitants are two: First it is said that there were two hundred houses maintained by selling of leaves. Second that the Inhabitants doe pay dearer then they used. The first is altogether groundlesse, for there were but a very few Chittees, about five or six, who had in a manner engrossed the trade to themselves, and they employed severall under them, as your Servants or factors, in the same manner as the farmers now doe, and this complaint is managed only by the Chittees and their friends. But the second is more considerable and ought to be remedied, it having arisen from this cause, that the

* Copy from the Mackenzie MSS., Vol. 56, pp. 334–337.

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farmer sold it generally by bundles or larger quantities at as cheap a rate as it used to be sold, yet they who bought it of them sold it out by retaile dear to the Poore people, who buy but a few cash worth at a time.

As to the Country Government it is very true that the Junkanners near the town have taken such notice of the profitt arising by it, that they have had thoughts of haveing that trade to themselves in such manner that the town shall bee supplyed by them, wherein some of our town Inhabitants have consulted with them, who were formerly concerned in the trade, and the Moormen and Persians who come to town have represented it to the consideration of the Nabob, upon which account Emaun Cooley and our black servants have generally pleaded against the continuance of it, fearing trouble from the Government, and proposed rather to take a Custom of a ¼ fanam upon a bundle in lieu of the farme.

On the other hand it is considered that the Rt Honble Company have in all their late Generall letters very strictly enjoined the improvement of the Revenue of this place, tho' it be known to them that we have no Phirmaund from the Mogull, and this being a considerable summe we may thereby be the better enabled to make a friendship with those who complain. It is therefore resolved to goe on with the farme but not to put it to sale by Public outcry. The severall persons who are enclosed [*sic*] to be concern'd in it having by private offers bid upon one another till it is risen to about the summe of three thousand Pags and among the bidders the following persons haveing taken into Partnership severall of the Chittees who formerly traded in beetle leaves and were the principal occasion of the complaints of the Inhabitants, and also severall of the Rt Honble Companys black servants, who are thereby ingaged in Interest to carry on the buisinesse with success, and [it] is as expedient as well to prevent complaints as the Junkanners opposition and stoping which the year past has been very troublesome. It is resolved rather to grant the farme to them for the following year in a private way then to expose it to a public sale, limitting the price to 4 leaves for a cash, and binding them to maintain a sufficient number of shops for retailing to the poor.

Farmers Names. Jango Reddana Mar Chittee Chittapa Anca.

(Signed) NATH: HIGGINSON.

FRIDAY 26.

Dispatcht the two Braminies who came from Moodera with Letters to the Naigue and Chief Braminy, giving each two yards of Perpetuanoes and one Pagoda, and sent by them one piece of China flower'd silk and two boxes of China flowers, as a present to the Naigue.

The late President Yale haveing made objections Mr William Fraser's being Assistant in the Court of Admiralty &ca &ca.]

FRIDAY 26.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT AND GOVERNR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matt: Mildmay pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps Cash Pags: 450, for acct: of Allea Vandee moorman deceased being part of his Estate, and Mr John Focquet Pags 202, acct: Quit Rents. Dispatch't the two Braminies who came from Moodera with letters to the Naigue and Cheif Braminy, giveing each two yards of Perpetuanoes and one Pagoda, and sent by them one peice of China flowerd silke, and two boxes of China flowers, as a present to the Naigue.

It appearing to us by the Bengall Generall dated the 23d December and the Bill of Ladeing and Invoice, that they have laden the Rt: Honble: [Companys]

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goods there on Ship Samuel, and have thereupon given sailing orders to Captain William Freke the Commander, it appearing allso by Y^{e} Comissary Generalls Papers, that a surveigh was ordered by him and the Agent and Councill in November last, but wee have no acco^{t}: from the Agent &^{ca} (nor can wee bee otherwise inform'd) upon what Termes the said goods were laden. But taken it for granted, that they have imployed her there as a Charterparty Ship, and yet haveing no acco^{t}: of the surveigh in Bengall, It is ordered that Mr Thomas Wright goe aboard tomorrow morning, and muster the Ship Samuel's Comp^{a} and take with him Capt Charles Metcalfe, Capt George Herron, Capt William Browne and Gunner Meadowes, who are desired to take a surveigh of the ship, so far as can be done in the road and make a particular report thereof in writeing and of the condition of masts, yards and rigging Ground Tackle Provision Gunns and stores, & the Secretary doe advise Capt Freke of y^{r} orders today.

The President read his acco^{t} of the mint for the month of December Gold coined for ℘ticular Pag^{s} 604 Custome $\frac{1}{2}$ ℘ Cent Pag^{s} 3 : 1.

Mr Fraser Warehousekeeper, read his acco^{ts}: of the Warehouse and stores for y^{e} month [of] December.

The late President Yale haveing made objections against Mr William Frasers being Assistant in the Court of Admiralty, where some Causes are depending between him and the R^{t} Honble Comp^{a} and haveing occasion for advice in many affaires relateing to this place and Fort St David and allso Bengall and the West Coast. It is ordered that Mr William Hatsell Deputy Governour of Fort St David, who is one of our Councill and Assistant in the Court of Admiralty, doe repair hither as soon as he can, and that a Generall Lr̃e be forthwith sent to Fort St David for y^{t} purpose, being desireous of his comeing before ye dispatch of Ship Samuel.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

28. Ship Madapollam arrived from Fort St David upon whome came Mr Bridevake and M^{r} [. . .] and brought a Generall letter from the Deputy Governour &c^{a} dated 25th Instant.

MONDAY 29. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE}: NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} AND GOVE^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymast^{r} read his acco^{ts} for the month of December last perticulars Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	Pa: 856 : 31 :
Charges Generall	332 : 4 :
Charges Merchandise	9 : 4 : 3
Charges Cattle	12 : 8 :
Bengall Agency	3 : 22 :
Charges Diett	244 : 20 :
Fortifications and repaires	42 : 9 :
Yegmore &c^{a}	: 34 :
West Coast	13 : 12 :
Pags.	[1515 : : 3]

Mr William Fraser paid into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s} 1270, for acco^{t} goods sold out of the Warehouse. Mr Wright delivers his muster of Ship Samuels Company being 32 men and the persons appointed to surveigh the ship their report as followeth after this Consultation.

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Whereupon considering the particulars mentioned con[c]erning said ship in Consultačion the 22d Instant. It is resolved to lade her home directly, and dispatch her as soon as Laden according to the Rt: Honble: Comps: direction in ye 23d Paragraph of their Generall letter dated the 22d January $169\frac{1}{2}$. The Ladeing appointed for said ship wch: the Warehouskeeper is ordered to observe.

519 Bags saltpetre from Bengall to be continued aboard.
50 Candy of Redwood.
35 Candy of Round Pepper.
Bengall permissive goods if any offer
with Bales of Vizagapatam 210 now on board, and Fort St David 212 now arrived by the Madapollam and to be traversed the rest of the Tonnage to be made up out of Fort St. George Bales. [*Pages* 193–196 *missing.*]

Ordered that the following paper be signed and sent to Capt Freke, who has for several dayes been very ill of a flux & cannot come abroad Vizt.

Wee haveing appointed the Paymaster Mr Thomas Wright with Capt George Herron, Capt Charles Metcalfe, Capt William Browne and Gunner Meadowes to muster Your Ships Company and surveigh the Ship, they have given us the following report, Vizt.

Wee the subscribers by order of ye: Honble: President & Councill, went on board Ship Samuel to surveigh her, wee find thirty two men, ninteen Guns and on sufficient [...] the Provisions stowed so that we could not [...] it, but the Ships Company being askt concerning it, declared they were satisfied they had enough for eight months, and according to the best of our judgements, believe the Ship very capable of performing her voyage to England, provided she has three or four Europeans, and one or two Tonn of water cask more.

Fort St George, Janry 27th $169\frac{3}{4}$.

CHARLES METCALFE.
WILLIAM BROWNE.
GEORGE HERRON.
THOMAS MEADOWES.

Whereupon wee have resolved to lade your Ships directly for England and upon Charterparty Termes, and to dispatch you as soon as Laden. You being sick and not able to come to us, wee send you this notice, and desire you to provide the men and water wanting according to the report of the surveigh, and that you may the better order the stowage and dispatch of your Ladeing, which are all ready to be sent off according as you shall call for ym Vizt.

519 bags Saltpetre from Bengall continued.
50 Candy Redwood.
35 Candy Pepper.

The rest in Bales whereof you have allready aboard 210 from Vizagapatam, and as many as you want shall be sent you by the Warehouskeeper as you call for them. Lett your Purser see the weight of ye redwood and Pepper and lett us know by what day you thinke you can dispatch the stowing & Lading of Your Ship. Ordered that the following Paper be affixed on the Sea Gate Vizt: Ship Samuel Captain William Freke Commander being ordered to bee dispatched with all expedition for England all those who have occasion to lade any permissive goods upon the usuall Termes are desired to bring in the list thereof to the Warehousekeeper by Thursday the first of February who is ordered to cause the same to bee laden.

Generall from Fort St David datd: 25th Inst: now read with Invoice and Bill of Lading for 212 Bales amount to Pags: 11143: 34: 2 sent by the Madapallam is perused and the Warehousekeeper is ordered to Travers said Bales aboard the Samuel the Captain shall demand ym in the mean time to send for one Bale of each sort ashoare and examine the sortment and to receive the freight of private goods laden on said ship as ℘ list delivered him.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

[29TH]

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 169¾——

TUESDAY 30TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] & GOV[R]
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

Cap[t] Freke sent an answer to our paper sent him Yesterday copy whereof is entred next after this Consultation, but cannot grant his request for continuing more then 519 baggs Saltpetre, because wee can expect no further supply from Bengall. Apogee Pontulo being come to Ypere Junkan with 50 Horse and 50 Rashboots to take possession thereof by order of Arsemanaigue, and it is probable hee has also Orders for taking possession of Yegmore and Persawacca which hee has allready demanded by letter. It is therefore ordered that Alexander Del Gardiner Ensign doe forthwith march thither with 10 Centinells with whome the Serjeant and 20 Centinells there allready are to joine, and to prevent the Moors takeing possession of those towns according to his orders entred after this Consultation.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TO THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] &C[A] COUNCILL.

May it please Your Hon[r] &c[a]

It doeth not a little refresh my spiritts to find you are soe well satisfied, as to allow the Ship ℘ forming her voyage to England, onely some few things wanting, which shall with all expedition be supplyed, I hope your Hon[r]: &c[a] will consider of not takeing soe much saltpetre out of y[e] Ship as 500 baggs, for if your Hon[r] should it would much detard the dispatch of the Ship, for my men are most of them trusty Royers, never deceive their Master, but when he hath most need of them. I believe if I had not had the misfortune to have been ill, the Ship had been near ready her dispatch, by this time. I beg your Hon[r] &c[a] to consider not to take above 419 baggs out, which will make no great difference, but hasten the dispatch very much, I will advise with my Mate when it will be necessary to send redwood and Pepper, before which time my Purser shall waite on the Warehousekeeper to weigh it off, tis all can be said by.

January 30th 169¾.

Your Hon[rs] most faithfull
but weake Servant
WILLIAM FREKE.

TO ENSIGNE ALEXANDER DEL GARDINER.

There being inteligence that a Party of Moors Horse and foot are comeing toward Yegmore and Parswacca to take possession thereof by force and to tye leaves in the street which towns being granted unto and now in possession of the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company. These are therefore to order you with ten Centinels to March to Yegmore, where there is allready one Serjeant and twenty centinells, whome you are to receive under your Command and who are hereby required to obey your order. You are there to take possession of and defend the Choultry against all opposers till further order, and in case any of the Moors or Morrattas come to take forceable possession of the place and ty their leaves, you are to resist them, and not suffer them to doe it, but by all prudent means possible avoid shedding of blood, unless necessary for the defence of your lives. In like manner if you have information of the Moors marching to Persiwacca to take possession of

that place, you may leave a guard at Yegmore and march to Persiwacca and oppose them in taking possession thereof in all which you must take ye Advice of the Braminy Devapa at Yegmore, who will be able to informe you of their proceedings, and what is fitt to be done. Dated in Fort St George this 30th January 169¾.

NATH: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.

Capt William Freke being very ill, sent the following paper to the President and Councill recommending Mr Wilson as the most capable person to succeed him in case of his mortality.

To the Honble: Nath^ll: Higginson Esqr.
President &c^a Councill.

Whereas the owners of Ship Samuel when they gave mee the Command of said ship did leave it to my discretion to constitute and appoint (in case of my mortality) which of my mates I should thinke most capable to take the Command and charge upon him, and being now very weak in body, but sound of mind, in persuance of the trust and confidence reposed in mee by my said owners I recommend to your Hon^r &c^a: John Wilson my now Cheif Mate, and third mate when I left England, as a man in every respect capable to carry the ship home, and accordingly upon my failure I commit the charge & command of said Ship Samuel to his prudent care and mannagem^t desireing to procure for him if possible a good Cheif Mate, and then I question, but with Gods permission the ship will doe well I am very ill soe must beg leave to subscribe.

Fort St George Jan^ry 31, 169¾
Signed in the presence of me
JOHN BRIDEOAKE.

Honble S^r &c^a
Your most humble serv^t
WILLIAM FREKE.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY — WEDNESDAY 31ST.

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T: AND GOVERN^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

M^r. Cuthbert haveing the last night discoursed to the President some transactions w^ch: had passed between Doctor Blackwall and Arsemonague at the Camp, concerning Doct^r Blackwalls being made Govern^r of Porto Novo, and that he had heard at the Camp, when there, that there were some designes on foot for the plundering of Cuddalore when the Army passed by that way to Tanjore. The President imediatly wrote a letter to Mr Hatsell adviseing him thereof that hee might not come hither as before ordered till this matter was over, and upon peruseall of the papers delivered by Mr Cuthbert, among w^ch: is a letter to him from Blackwall, darkly intimating he had some great designes on foot, a generall letter was thereupon written to M^r. Hatsell, and another to him and Councill, w^th: the necessary advices and directions, as entred in the coppy Booke of Letters.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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